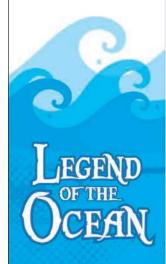
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## » Nightly Mass set at Mt. Carmel Cathedral

By JAYSON CAMACHO

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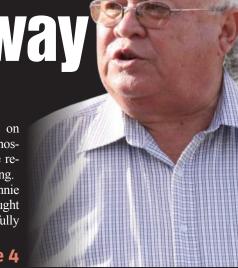
jayson\_camacho@saipantribune.com REPORTER aipan Mayor Donald Glenn Pangelinan Flores passed away yesterday afternoon shortly before

was 62 years old.

Flores suffered a massive stroke on Saturday and since then was in the hospital's Intensive Care Unit where he remained on life support until his passing.

According to Flores' nephew, Vinnie Flores Sablan, the mayor was brought in at 9am on Saturday and peacefully passed away on Monday afternoon.

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## 'PARDON OUR PROGRESS'

A Hawaiian Rock Products employee directs traffic as motorists negotiate yesterday a portion of a road in Kagman that is part of a \$4-million Cross Island road improvement project, Phase II-B. The project, which kicked off in August last year after hitting a two-year snag over procurement protests and appeals, is expected to be completed in October this year.

## Who's the next Saipan mayor?

By HAIDEE V. EUGENIO

With Saipan Mayor Donald Glen P. Flores' passing yesterday, the clock now ticks for Gov. Eloy S. Inos to fill the vacancy by appointing the presumed successor—the second highest vote-getter in the 2009 mayoralty election that will be willing to serve out the remainder of Flores' term. Flores, 62, is the first elected official to pass while in office in the CNMI's recent history.

In the 2009 mayoralty race, the second highest vote-getter was Marian DLG Tudela with 1.620 votes. Flores got 2,392 votes that year.

Press secretary Angel Demapan, when sought for comment, said the governor "will attempt to contact Ms. Tudela as soon as possible to discuss the vacancy and whether she, the presumed successor, will be willing to serve out the re-

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## **AS EMPLOYERS SEEK CLARIFICATION ON 5-YEAR EXTENSION**

## CIS: CW application process, fees unchanged

By HAIDEE V. EUGENIO haidee\_eugenio@saipantribune.com

U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services said the process or fee for the transitional Commonwealth-only worker program remains the same, even after its extension up to 2019. Employers continue to seek clarification, mostly on whether the CW permit expiration of Dec. 31, 2014, can be automatically extended to the original anniversary date.

While the CW program has been ex- tice is published, "USCIS will resume

"That's one of the things we want to clarify. Is a CW permit valid for five years?" asked Gary Malit, general manager at Island Manpower and Island Construction.

Marie Thérèse Sebrechts, USCIS supervisory public affairs officer, said that once the U.S. Department of Labor no-

tended by five years, this does not mean approving CW-1 status in increments of that a new CW permit will be valid for up to one year 'if' the petitioner already the whole five years. requested a date beyond 12-31-14 on the un-adjudicated Form I-129CW, and 'if' the petition is otherwise eligible."

> "There are no changes to the application process or fees for the CNMI-Only Transitional Worker [CW] Program," Sebrechts said, responding to Saipan Tribune questions.

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## Local

## POSSIBLE TRAINING INSTITUTES TO BE SET UP

## Best Sunshine, NMC tie up on 'People's Survey'

By JAYSON CAMACHO

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Best Sunshine Ltd. is collaborating with the Northern Marianas College and the Community Development Institute to conduct what it calls a "People's Survey" that will seek the opinion of Commonwealth residents on economic and social issues.

In a news briefing held yes-

terday at NMC, **Best Sunshine** Best Sunshine chief operating officer Terence Tay said the People's Survey is an opportu-

nity for the CNMI community to speak freely about economic and social issues.

Best Sunshine Ltd. is one of two Hong Kong-based investment groups bidding for the exclusive license to build a minimum \$2-billion integrated casino resort on Saipan.

Tay said that Best Sunshine wants people "to be frank and honest" in the survey and tell them what they really need.

"We want to make sure that what we do for them is what they want," Tay said.

He also said that if they were to build the integrated resort, they are looking into setting up training institutes and expanding the current programs at the

"We believe that if we build the integrated resort, there will be a lot of training to be taken into account and this is likely to start before the opening," he

> Tay noted this would empower the people of Saipan to be able to meet the requirements for the integrated

resort.

looking into

scholarships for

graduate students

"Another aspect is to focus on community outreach and scholarships for graduate students from NMC when they go overseas to study for their masters,"

Tay said that Best Sunshine is willing to look into scholarships for residents to empower them so that they can return to the CNMI after their studies and contribute to the community "like what the community and NMC has done for them."

NMC president Dr. Sharon



Northern Marianas College president Dr. Sharon Hart, center, addresses the media while Best Sunshine International Ltd. chief operating officer Terence Tay, left, and Ipsos Loyalty executive director Hao Xu, right, look on during yesterday's news briefing at NMC on Best Sunshine's planned "people survey."

Hart said they are glad Best Sunshine approached them for help in conducting research and analysis to provide the necessary data that will enable the integrated resort

project to move forward.

"It is always very important that the institution is always involved in and has an opportunity to sit down with any investor that wants to come in and look at trying to become a part of this community, to invest our resources here because one of the things that the college has been able to do is to sit down and come up with a training and workforce plan from training level to providing a workforce," Hart said.

Community Development Institute acting director Floyd

R. Masga said they are always excited to help investors, "especially those that would like to invest within the community."

Best Sunshine chose to cooperate with CDI because they believe CDI would be an "honest, responsible, and efficient partner" for the survey to "ensure the quality of the results."

The survey will use a random sampling method, which gives every adult the opportunity of being selected, so access to CDI's local resources will ensure the reliability of the survey.

Best Sunshine is also cooperating with IPSOS, a worldleading independent third-party research institution with a good reputation and rich experience in social affairs and public opinion surveys. Resource director Xavier Su represented IPSOS at the news briefing.

On a side note, Best Sunshine offers its heartfelt condolences to the family of the late Mayor Donald Flores, who passed away yesterday, and wishes them peace to bring them comfort in their thoughts and prayers.

## Federal court summons probationer arrested for leaving 3 guns

By FERDIE DE LA TORRE

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The U.S. Probation Office has sought to revoke the probation of Daniel Muña Quitugua, a federal probationer who was recently arrested for allegedly overspeeding and running away from police officers, leaving behind a bag that contained three illegal guns and bullets.

U.S. District Court for the NMI Chief Judge Ramona V. Manglona on Friday granted the U.S. Probation's request to issue a summons and writ of habeas corpus for Quitugua to appear at a hearing.

At the hearing on Thursday, Quitugua will be held to answer or explain why his term of supervised release should not be revoked.

U.S. probation officer Gregory F. Arriola, in a petition for revocation filed Friday, said that Quitugua remains in the custody of the Department of Corrections after police arrested him on May 23, 2014, on charges of assault and battery, resisting

arrest, and manufacture, sale, or possession of firearms and dangerous device.

Arriola said the mandatory condition of probation prohibits Quitugua from any unlawful use of a controlled substance and from committing another federal, state, or local crime.

Quitugua reported to the U.S. Probation Office as instructed for a random drug test.

While submitting to the test, Quitugua reportedly said that he was unable to urinate.

As Quitugua adjusted his pants, Arriola heard an object fall to the ground. When asked what the object was, Quitugua explained it was a perfume bottle.

Arriola said that Quitugua later admitted that the liquid was another person's urine, which he intended to use to beat his drug test.

Quitugua admitted in writing that he had used methamphetamine or "ice" on May 14,

As a result, Quitugua was placed back on phase 1 of the drug-testing program for monitoring purposes.

He also admitted to using drugs on March 5, April 28,

Arriola disclosed that on Probationer tries May 15, 2014, to use other's urine during drug test but bottle falls from pants

all in 2013. As result, his home detention with location moni-

and June 7,

toring was extended for additional days.

In April 2005, the federal court slapped Quitigua with a 120-month prison term followed by a five-year supervised release for robbing a poker establishment in 2004. He was convicted of Hobbs Act robbery and using and carrying a firearm during a crime of violence.

Quitugua's supervised release began on Jan. 14, 2013.



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## Labor favors Kanoa Resort over rejection of US citizen applicant

By FERDIE DE LA TORRE ferdie\_delatorre@saipantribune.com

Labor administrative hearing officer Jerry Cody has cleared Kanoa Resort Saipan from a labor complaint filed by a U.S. citizen job applicant who alleged that that hotel rejected his job application for the position of maintenance manager without just cause.

In his administrative order last week, Cody ruled that, based on the evidence presented, Carlton T. Stevens failed to meet his burden of establishing that he was qualified for the position.

"The job announcement stated the qualifications for the job

as a minimum of six years of experience in hotel maintenance operations. Complainant lacked this experience," Cody said.

Cody heard Stevens' complaint at the Department of Labor's hearing office on May 22, 2014. Stevens appeared without counsel. Asia Pacific Hotels Inc., owner of Kanoa Resort Saipan, appeared with general manager Mark Ratliff, human resources manager Joe Ada, and counsel Steven Pixley. Labor appeared through investigator Jeff Camacho.

According to Labor records, Kanoa Resort posted a job announcement on Labor's website advertising the position of maintenance manager of the hotel. Stevens saw the announcement and contacted the hotel directly to apply for the job.

Ratliff testified at the hearing that he reviewed Stevens' resume and concluded that he lacked the experience required for the position.

On Oct. 21, 2013, Ratliff informed Ada via e-mail that complainant did not have the "experience needed" for the job and instructed Ada to renew the present manager.

The hotel's current maintenance manager has extensive work experience in hotel maintenance. He worked for 16 years (1993 to 2009) as an electrician and all-around maintenance person for

Saipan Grand Hotel. Between 2009 and 2014, he worked as the resort's maintenance coordinator/acting supervisor, maintenance supervisor, assistant maintenance manager, and maintenance manager.

The hotel's management found him to be qualified for the job and recently renewed his contract.

Stevens' résumé states that his work history is primarily in the area of wastewater management. On Saipan, he worked for two years for the Commonwealth Utilities Corp. as a wastewater facility manager. Prior to coming to Saipan, he worked in wastewater operations from 1986 until 2010.

Most of his jobs were in wastewater operations as an operator, supervisor, or consultant. Most of his jobs were for municipalities or the government of the U.S. Virgin Islands.

The only hotel-related experience listed on Stevens' resume is his work as a "contract operator and consultant" for wastewater facilities at various resorts in the U.S. Virgin Islands.

Labor investigated the case and concluded that complainant was "not fully qualified for the maintenance manager position," and therefore, Kanoa Resort had not committed a violation by not hiring Stevens for the position.



**BIRTHDAY SHOUTOUT** 

Happy birthday greetings go out to Kyna Margareth Sales, who is celebrating her special day today! May the Lord bless you always and grant you more birthdays in the years to come! We love you! Greetings come from Tatay, Nanay, Yoyi, and Celine.

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## **MAYOR**

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mainder of the term of the late Mayor Flores."

Flores' term ends in January 2015.

Demapan and Commonwealth Election Commission executive director Robert A. Guerrero cited the Commonwealth Code, particularly CMC Section 5103(a), which provides that "[i]f a vacancy should arise in any office of the mayor, and less than half of the term of the mayor remains, the governor shall fill the vacancy by appointing the unsuccessful candidate for that mayor's office from the previous election, who received the largest number of votes and is now still willing to serve as may-

or of that island or islands."

Pursuant to 1 CMC Section 6502(e), ["i]f there is a vacancy in the office of mayor and less than one-half of the term remains from the date of the vacancy...the presiding officer of the Municipal Council shall be acting mayor."

Should Tudela decline the appointment to serve out the remainder of Flores' term, the

governor has to go to the next highest vote-getter and so on, Election Commission's Guerrero said.

The third highest vote-getter in the 2009 mayoralty race was Democratic candidate Angelo O'Connor Villagomez, who got 1,612 votes, only eight votes behind Tudela.

The fourth one was then independent candidate Roman C. Benavente, now a member of the House of Representatives. He had 1,586 votes.

The rest of the nine mayoralty candidates in the 2009 elections were Lino Tenorio, 1,527; Antonio Camacho, 571; Jose Sanchez, 530; Candido Taman, 420; and Juan S. Demapan, 287.

Ramon B. Camacho, as current chairman of the Saipan and Northern Islands Legislative

Delegation, started serving as acting mayor the first work day after Flores was hospitalized on Saturday.

Flores passed away at the Commonwealth Health Center shortly before 3pm yesterday. He suffered a massive stroke on Saturday and since then was in the hospital's Intensive Care Unit where he remained on life support until his death.

## **USCIS**

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Sebrechts said employers "must still file Form I-129CW."

"Also, the timetable for petitioning remains the same. Employers may file Form I-129CW up to six months in advance. We encourage employers to file as soon as possible within that time frame to prevent gaps in employment authorization," she said.

This also means the annual \$150 fee paid by employers for each foreign worker they hire remains the same.

Malit said he's glad that the CW application process re-

mains the same, because CNMI employers are now familiar with that process.

"And if employers can still file a petition six months in advance, then that means those expiring on Dec. 31, 2014 can apply now? And so that means if a CW permit is approved, the new expiration date will be Dec. 31, 2015?" he asked. Rene Reyes, operations manager of Gold Crown Manpower, also said yesterday they are still hoping that those whose original permits are supposed to expire beyond Dec. 31, 2014, will be "given automatic extension without additional fees."

Malou Ernest, SPHR, GPHR, said they have also been seek-

ing clarification about the CW renewal process now that the program has been extended.

"We need guidance," said Ernest, human resources director for Tan Holdings' Century Tours.

Ernest said they also would like to find out the new cap on the number of CW permits for 2015.

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security set a numerical limit of 14,000 CW-1s for 2014. This is a 6.66-percent decrease from the 2013 cap of 15,000.

The number of CW permits still has to go down every year until it reaches "zero" at the end of the transition period, which is now Dec. 31, 2019, instead of Dec. 31, 2014.

U.S. Labor Secretary Thomas Perez granted last week the CNMI's request to extend the transitional CW program by five years, saying it would "enable CNMI's legitimate businesses to meet their current and near-term future workforce needs."

At the same time, Perez asked the CNMI to provide yearly updates, starting in April 2015, "documenting your good faith efforts to locate, educate, train or otherwise prepare U.S. citizens and other lawful permanent residents for jobs."

Delegate Gregorio Kilili C. Sablan (Ind-MP) expects Perez's decision to be in the *Feder*-

al Register in the next few days.

This comes a few weeks ahead of a July 4 deadline to de-

cide on any extension.

Without Perez's extension decision, the CNMI would have lost immediate access to some 10,000 skilled and professional foreign workers that the Commonwealth still needs, given

that it still does not have suffi-

cient U.S. labor pool.

Gov. Eloy S. Inos Inos said he will take "all necessary steps to effectively train and prepare U.S. citizens and other lawful permanent residents to meet the workforce needs of legitimate businesses in the CNMI."

Foreign workers do not necessarily have to exit the CNMI

after the CW program expires. If they qualify for an H visa, for example, their employer could now start applying that visa for them.

Meanwhile, DHS is seeking comments to its proposal that CW-1s be allowed to continue working for up to 240 days or eight months while their CW permit renewal applications are being processed. Many in the CNMI welcome the 240-day grace period, especially given the previous experiences of CW workers who had to stop working for weeks and months and mostly with no pay while their CW renewals were still under process, even though the delay was not their fault.

## **FLORES**

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The late mayor's wife, Cecilia, said her husband was a very loving, caring, and thoughtful husband, father, and grandfather.

"He is always there for them and always puts our needs first and his needs later," she said. "He was a gentle person and never lost his temper and to him 'we always come first' and always tells us that we mean the world to him."

Flores has only one son, Derron Untalan Flores, and two grandsons, Donavon Jared Flores and Devin Drey Flores.

"I want to give thanks to all the CHC doctors, medics, emergency room, and intensive care unit team, nurses and everybody that was with us in thoughts and prayers since Saturday and we want to extend our heartfelt support for everybody that was there during the visits and the rosary," Derron Flores said. Derron Flores also thanked his cousin, Danny Kintol, for finding his father and the Emergency Medical Team for responding. Flores was reportedly found inside his car.

"I also want to say thanks to CHC doctors Dr. John Tudela, Dr. Sherleen Osmond, and Dr. John Doyle and their team as well as family members from off-island who are sending messages online," he added.

Family members, Saipan Mayor's Office staff, government officials, friends, colleagues, and community members attended a rosary shortly after Flores' passing, giving condolences to his immediate family.

Vinnie Sablan, who is the son of Flores' sister, Angeline, said that a Mass will be offered today, June 3, 6am at Mt. Carmel Cathedral in Chalan Kanoa.

"The family will meet together and discuss making any arrangements on the date of the funeral," Sablan said.

He said that there wouldn't be

any rosaries.

According to Rep. Ralph Yumul (Ind-Saipan), Flores will be honored with a state funeral.

Sablan told *Saipan Tribune* that his uncle was a very pure and people-orientated person.

"Growing up he thought of helping people around and making sure that we are always there for people who need help," Sablan said.

Gov. Eloy S. Inos and Lt. Gov. Jude U. Hofschneider also extended their condolences to Cecilia, Derron, and the entire Flores family.

In a joint statement, Inos and Hofschneider said that Flores, who served the CNMI in numerous capacities and most recently as mayor of the Municipality of Saipan, "truly displayed what it means to be a productive and respected leader. As mayor, he worked hard in ensuring necessary services to Saipan's people from his office were to the best that they could be offered. Through his agricultural experience, he was instrumental

in maintaining projects to beautify the island, control our animal population, along with projects which helped in procuring muchneeded resources to better serve the villages of his island.

"Through his devotion to his faith and family values, Mayor Flores was a loving husband to Chilang and an exemplary father and role model to his son and his grandchildren. We owe a debt of gratitude and a great deal of respect to his them for their support and love they gave during his term as Saipan's chief executive.

"And through his passion of civic participation, he made many friends both on and off-island, and in turn inspired many young people to serve their peers, their villages and their island.

"The death of Mayor Donald Flores is a deep loss for Saipan and most especially, the Commonwealth. Through the leader that he was, it is safe to say that Saipan's villages have been greatly enriched by his deeds and his persona, and because of

that, he will be truly missed," Inos and Hofschneider's statement said.

## Life of service

Flores was born on Oct. 22, 1948, in Guam and stayed with his family in As Lito, Saipan. He graduated from Mount Carmel School in 1967 and went to the University of Guam.

Flores started out as a parttime personnel specialist for the Department of Administration Personnel Division in Guam in November 1969.

Flores became a commercial farmer on Saipan in 1983 and was the director for the Department of Lands and Natural Resources Division of Agriculture from 2004 to 2006.

Flores secured his position as mayor of Saipan in January 2010, succeeding the late Juan B. Tudela. He ran as a Republican in the 2009 general elections and recently declared his re-election bid on April of this year, this time as an independent.

One of his accomplish-

ments as mayor was securing a \$413,000 grant from the Office of Insular Affairs to purchase heavy equipment to help better the community more.

In 2011 he launched a largescale tree-trimming project along the Saipan Beach Road Pathway. Other projects that the Saipan Mayor's Office has undertaken under his watch are planting flowers in the road medians as well as enhancements to the U.S Armed Forces Memorial and securing a federal grant that advanced the Saipan Dog Control Program and created the island's first Animal Control Shelter.

Flores now joins his mother Margarita P. Kintol, father Edward A. Flores, and brothers Robert Kintol and Edward W. Flores.

He is survived by his wife, son, two grandsons, brothers Takeshi Kintol, James P. Kintol, Jerome P. Kintol, sisters Angeline F. Sablan, Erica K. Cruz, and numerous nephews, nieces, cousins, and other family members.

## 'Out-of-court talks on unremitted \$5M land lease payments'

## MPLT eyes diversifying assets

The Marianas Public Land Trust has approved the hiring of four new money managers in line with its desire to diversify its asset allocation.

MPLT board chair Martin Ada, vice chair Maria Frica Pangelinan, and trustee Melchor Mendiola voted Friday to hire four new money managers that will handle the trust's portfolio.

There are currently six money managers handling MPLT's assets: Metropolitan West, Lazard, MacKay Shields, Garcia Hamilton, Seix, and Templeton.

The board voted Friday to replace Metropolitan West with two new money managers-Atalanta Sosnoff and Aristotle Capital Management—which were the top two scorers in the recent search conducted by the trust's investment consultant, Morgan Stanley.

Two more money managers were hired for new asset classes. These are CBRE Clarion Securities, which will handle the Real Estate Investment Trust or REIT, and Tortoise Capital for the Master Limited Partnership, or MLP.

With this decision, MPLT now has a total of nine money

According to Ada, the changes are in line with the trust's goal of diversifying the agency's investment. He described the process as "standard procedure" and the managers' selection was based on the recommendation of Morgan Stanley.

"This is why we meet each month and review the flash reports from our investment consultant [Morgan Stanley], who watches the performance of all the money managers. If we see our money managers not performing satisfactorily, the trustees have the authority to replace them immediately," he told Saipan Tribune.

Ada is optimistic that adding new asset classes in the portfolio will continue to grow MPLT's assets for the CNMI government

Friday's meeting was attended by Jason B. Miyashita, VP senior investment management consultant of Morgan Stanley.

Every end of the fiscal year, MPLT remits earnings from these investments to the CNMI general fund. The money then goes to the budget for government's essential services and programs. (Moneth G. Deposa)

By MONETH G. DEPOSA REPORTER

Settlement negotiations between the Marianas Public Land Trust and the Department of Public Lands are ongoing to resolve MPLT claims that DPL has yet to remit between \$4 million and \$5 million to it.

According to MPLT board chair Martin Ada, this out-ofcourt approach is an "alternative option" for MPLT.

MPLT has been running after the Department of Public Lands for non-remittance of millions of dollars in public land lease payments and earnings. On a few occasions, the MPLT board went to court after failing to obtain a satisfactory response from DPL.

ship, the MPLT has opted to set- to the negotiating table. That's tle the matter with DPL in out- the gentlemen's agreement [be-

of-court talks. Ada reiterated this stance on Friday, confirming that settlement talks are ongoing and resolution is forthcoming as soon as an audit on DPL is completed. Ada said that in

Ada a previous meeting with Gov. Elov S. Inos and the DPL administration, MPLT was asked to wait for the completion of the DPL audit for

fiscal year 2013 before negotiations resume on the matter. "The governor had requested that we wait until end of this month [June 30] because the

DPL audit is forthcoming. So

tween parties]," he told Saipan Tribune.

When asked how much MPLT expects to collect from DPL, Ada said, "The number is around \$4 million up to \$5 million. That's what we're working on."

According to Ada, there's no other good way to resolve the issue with DPL other than to settle the issue amicably. He said it's unseemly for sister agencies to battle in court for something that can be resolved amicably by all parties.

Ada has appointed vice chair Maria Frica Pangelinan

However, under Ada's leader- from there, we will then go back as the point of contact for all DPL issues. On Friday, Pangelinan submitted a report but this was not made available to the media.

> MPLT trustees initially agreed in previous board meetings to take legal action against DPL for continuing to withhold remittances to the land trust.

> Based on MPLT's analysis, the amount due MPLT as of Sept. 30, 2012, is \$3.441 million plus \$2 million reservation of "Fund Balance." This brings the total due MPLT to \$5.441 million as of Sept. 30, 2012.

> In addition to this balance, it was reported that there were funds that should have gone to MPLT but were diverted to expenditures that do not qualify as "expenses of administration."

## Compact impact funds for NMC lowered

By MONETH G. DEPOSA

Officials of the Northern Marianas College were surprised after learning that the institution would get a lower share of Compact Impact funds this fiscal year, citing the absence of any formal notice from the Inos administration on the sudden change of allocation.

NMC was earlier allocated \$167,000 in Compact Impact funds. It was learned during Friday's budget hearing at the Legislature on Capitol Hill that the Office of Management and Budget had lowered this to \$86,000.

Because of this revelation, NMC chief financial officer Tracy Guerrero said the college's projected shortfall would increase as a result of the decline in Compact Impact appropriation.

on our Compact Impact funds... so we're a bit surprised to learn that [the amount had dropped]," Guerrero said, responding to queries from lawmakers.

She said the "\$100,000 difference" in the Compact Impact amount is a big deal for the college, which is in dire need of funds to meet all its obligation.

Of the \$86,000 Compact Impact monies for the college, it was learned that \$65,000 has already been transmitted to NMC.

NMC had asked the governor for a budget of \$7.9 million for fiscal year 2015. The governor's budget plan, however, lowered

this to \$4.7 million.

Guerrero disclosed that next year's budget includes \$6.2 million for personnel costs alone. The rest would go to utilities and the constitutionally required Public Auditor's fee.

During the budget hearing, OMB's Vicky Villagomez clarified that NMC is set to receive \$5.03 million next fiscal year if the Legislature concurs with the governor's proposal. She disclosed that from the general fund alone, NMC will get \$3.9 million and \$315,000 for the maintenance-of-effort requirement in fiscal year 2010. Additionally, the college will get \$86,000 in Compact Impact funds and \$700,000 from CW worker's fees.

NMC president Dr. Sharon Y. Hart said the governor's recommended budget is not enough. She revealed that in the absence of close to an "We're very much counting \$8-million budget, NMC will be forced to take drastic measures, including increasing the tuition of students, eliminating programs and services, and laying off personnel and staff.

Hart, along with Board of Regents fiscal committee chair William Torres, urged lawmakers to consider the plight of the only community college on island.

Both officials warned that once programs and services are reduced or stopped, most of its students will be impacted as 90 percent of enrollees are recipients of the Pell Grant, which requires the college to maintain certain standards.

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## Parking meter fees only a step away from becoming law

Besides passing a modified version of a House bill increasing cigarette tax, senators also approved on Wednesday three other measures that included a bill authorizing the assessment of parking meter fees and segregation of those fees collected by senatorial district. If this bill is signed into law, parking meters sitting idle in Garapan for several years would finally be used to generate revenues.

By a vote of 8-0, the Senate passed at 3:30pm Wednesday House Bill 18-39, House Draft 1, giving the Department of Public Works and the Commonwealth Office of Transit Authority statutory authority to assess fees associated with parking, among other things.

The fees will be deposited according to which senatorial district generated the fees— Saipan, Tinian, or Rota.

Fees collected would also be subject to appropriation by the respective legislative delegations. The bill is authored by Rep. Ray Tebuteb (Ind-Saipan), chairman of the Saipan and Northern Islands Legislative Delegation.

HB 18-39, HD1, which now heads to the governor for action, also gives COTA the authority to create regulations so that it may effectively use and administer fees to operate a transit system.

Under the bill, the Department of Public Safety commissioner, in consultation with the DPW secretary, will designate areas along public roadways appropriate for the installation and operation of parking meters.

DPS will also be responsible for enforcing the time limits imposed by parking meters, including but not limited to issuing citations and fines of not more than \$100.

The Senate also passed Rep. Christopher Leon Guerrero's (Cov-Saipan) HB 18-134, designating as law enforcement officers the sergeant-at-arms of the House of Representatives and the sergeant-at-arms of the Senate, "with full authority to enforce Commonwealth laws and shall have all the powers, authority, and benefits of other law enforcement officers..." The bill also now heads to the governor for action.

Senators also passed by a vote of 8-0 Sen. Frank Cruz's (R-Tinian) Senate Bill 18-51

that seeks to address copper wire thefts in the CNMI.

Under Cruz's bill, which now goes to the House for action, there would be a 10-day waiting period on recycling businesses' payment of copper wire worth \$50 or more.

The recycler is also required to provide the Department of Public Safety commissioner with a copy of copper wire sale within three days of the transaction.

Cruz said the waiting period provides DPS some time to investigate the sale, especially those involving frequent sellers of copper wire.

He hopes that the reporting and waiting period requirements "will help deter copper wire theft." (Haidee V. Eugenio)

## Kataki (The Enemy) to be staged at Sugar King Park The Friends of the Arts will be kyo during World War II. With

staging Shimon Wincelberg's Kataki (The Enemy), at Sugar King Park on June 7 and 8, from 5pm to 7pm, beginning with an optional tour of the Park, conducted by members of the Marianas High School Japanese Language Club.

Directed by Harold Easton and produced by Leo Goode, this one-act play with a cast of two will be giving the audience a taste of the Pacific war front, following the fall of Saipan. The story tells of a young American airman (played by Francis Fidelino) and an older Japanese sailor (played by Yoshi Matsuda) stranded on a remote island in the Pacific Ocean on the B29 Route to Toneither knowing the other's language, and a single bayonet shared between them, the two men attempt to communicate and coexist on the island.

The community and members of the Friends of the Arts are invited to come to the play and get in on the action with tickets at \$15 for the general public, \$12 for members of the Friends of the Arts, \$8 for students, and \$5 for Thespians. The play will be enacted on the grass in the center of the Park under the large fallen tree.

For more information or reservations contact Frank Gibson by telephone at 287-7476 or by e-mail at flgibson@yahoo.com. (FOA)

## Cleanup at Pau Pau Beach on Saturday

The Bureau of Environmental and Coastal Quality's Cleanup Brigade will be picking up trash at Pau Pau Beach, San Roque on Saturday, June 7, 2014, starting at 8am.

If you would like to volunteer, meet the BECQ representatives on Saturday at Pau Pau Beach at 8am. Volunteers will split into groups and clean until 10am and break for drinks and then continue, if needed.

May's Tank Beach Cleanup was successful with 27 volunteers participating. Thanks to Saipan Southern High School, Commonwealth Health Center, Commonwealth Utilities Corp., Attorney General's Office, and other volunteers, about 220 lbs of marine debris was removed from the beach and properly disposed of.

This month, outstanding brigade volunteers who participated in at least 10 monthly cleanups will receive a brigade cap and those who participated in at least three cleanups will receive a brigade t-shirt.

For more information about volunteering, contact the BECQ office at 664-8500/1. (BECQ)

U.S. District Court for the executive director Robert A. NMI Chief Judge Ramona V. Manglona approved yesterday John H. Davis Jr.'s request for \$10,237.85 in attorney's fees and costs in connection with his lawsuit against the Commonwealth Election Commission.

Manglona awarded Davis attorney's fees in the amount of \$9,650 and taxes costs in the amount of \$587.85 against Election Commission, commission chair Frances M. Sablan, and commission Guerrero.

Assistant attorney general Charles Brasington, counsel for the defendants, did not oppose Davis' request.

Brasington said they find Davis' request for fees and costs reasonable and well documented.

Manglona directed the court's clerk to close the case.

Davis, through counsel Jeanne H. Rayphand, said he incurred \$9,650 in attorney's fees

and \$587.85 for filing fee, postage/certified mail for service of summons and complaint, and photocopies of summons, complaint, and exhibits obtained for use in the case.

Rayphand claimed she spent 48.25 hours in representing Davis in the case.

Manglona recently issued a summary judgment that favored Davis in his lawsuit.

In that landmark decision, Manglona ruled that qualified voters who are not of Northern Marianas descents must have the opportunity to vote on the Article 12 initiative and any other initiative to amend Article 12.

Article 12 restricts the acquisition of permanent and long-term interests in real property to persons of Northern Marianas descent.

Davis, a registered voter in the CNMI and a non-NMD, sued CEC and its officials in his desire to vote on any initiative to amend Article 12. (Ferdie de la Torre)

## THE PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM IS PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE ITS RECRUITMENT FAIR FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2014-2015.

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- **School Counselor Positions**
- Mental Health Service

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The recruitment fairs are scheduled between 9 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. on the dates listed below.

## Saipan Dates

May 08-09, 2014 - Napu Room,

Pacific Islands Club

June 26-27, 2014 - Multi-purpose

July 17-18, 2014 - Multi-purpose

August 7-8, 2014 - Multi-purpose

## **Rota Dates**

May 15 - VTC Room, Sinapalo

**Elementary School** 

June - RHI

## **Tinian Dates**

May 15 - TJSHS

June - TIN





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## Motheread/Fatheread completes sessions on Saipan

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The CNMI Motheread/Fatheread Literacy Program celebrated two special ceremonies at Gregorio T. Camacho and Koblerville elementary schools.

The first ceremony was held at GTC Elementary School in San Roque last May 22

According to CNMI Motheread/Fatheread assistant coordinator Beth Demapan, GTC parent Hilma Castro was awarded her "Story Exploring Certification" by Motheread coordinator Viola Deleon Guerrero.

GTC parent trainer Bryan Manabat, Demapan, and GTC prinvipal Raena Bermudes congratulated Castro and Shirley Lizama, who is also a parent from GTC.

"Story exploring certificates were awarded to Gunnar Castro and Rosemary Lizama, while Viveka Castro received a certificate of volunteerism," Demapan said.

The other ceremony was held on Memorial Day on May 26 at the Koblerville Elementary School.

According to Demapan 12 parents, 24 children, and six AmeriCorps volunteers were honored.

Story exploring instructor Lois Dewitt and her story exploring class of 24 children performed a lively skit from the timeless children's classic Goldilocks and the Three Bears.

"Not to be outshown, parent trainer Mercedes Q. Deleon Guerrero assisted parents as they performed a skit from yet another children's book classic, The Three Bill Goat's Gruff," Demapan said.

Parents who took the adult course were Mary Jane Fleming, Rosie Muña, Angelica Aldan-Hernandez, Grace Jo, Priseila Dulay, Vera Tudela, Ostina Emangmai, Remedios Peralta, Elizabeth Ramos, Jessica Pangelinan, Gita Kundu and Sang Won Lim.

Students who took the storyexploring course were Nathan Muña, Damien Santos, Scarlet Santos, Patrick Santos, Thomas Santos, Bernard Santos, Kyle Manuel, Honofre Tangi, Therence Tangi, Shawna Schneider, Jee Lee, Andy Kim, Alex Kim, Leiandra Pangelinan, Leia Pangelinan, Abigail DeWitt, Matthew Manuel, Claire P. Boria, Ocean Kundu, Deko Cabrera, Devin Cabrera, Denica Cabrera, Bernadette Jacinto, and Angel Joy Jacinto.

The AmeriCorps volunteers were Alaiza Be Basto, Rachel Boria, Rachel Ramirez, Chelsea Yangirelfil, Marielle Kapileo, and Joseph Kileleman.

The Northern Marianas Humanities Council administers the program in partnership with the CNMI Public School System, the Department of Community and Cultural Affairs,

Schedules for interested pri-

can be arranged by contacting Viola Deleon Guerrero or Beth

and the Joeten Kiyu Public vate schools and organizations Demapan at (670) 235-7319 or email at cnmimotheread@ gmail.com.



Gregorio T. Camacho Elementary School's Completion Ceremony.

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Koblerville Elementary School's Motheread/Fatheread completion ceremony.

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Koblerville Elementary School students perform Goldilocks and the Three Bears.





### **June 3, 2006**

### 12 NMI students get Byrd scholarships

Twelve CNMI students have been selected to receive the Robert C. Byrd Honors scholarships, according to a Public School System statement. Each scholarship is a four-year scholarship at \$1,500 per year or \$6,000 total scholarship. Education Commissioner Rita H. Inos said that the number of qualified applicants far exceeded the 12 scholarships that the U.S. Department of Education makes available each year to the PSS. Inos commended the students for their excellent essays and their excellent cumulative high school grade point averages, the teachers for their fine recommendation letters and the parents of each of the 12 Robert C. Byrd scholars for quality time they have invested in helping their child achieve the academic success that the scholarship conveys.

### Freedom walk for USIM's Nguyen

A man who had traveled from Saipan to South Korea in April on behalf of the foundation that is behind the safe haven proposal in the CNMI has been arrested in Seoul at the request of the Vietnamese government, according to the United States International Mission-Saipan. A California resident, Chan Huu Nguyen, had flown from Saipan to South Korea on behalf of the foundation. He was arrested on April 5 and placed in detainment, due to a request made by the Socialist Republic of Vietnam to extradite him to Vietnam, USIM said. According to Dennis Catron, president of USIM, Nguyen was traveling to Korea on behalf of USIM-Saipan on an opportunity to further develop a safe haven project for victims of human trafficking in Cambodia.

### June 3, 2007

## LibDay fireworks fiasco hurts 6

Kickoff activities for the 61st Liberation Day Festivities were marred when the fireworks platform collapsed, sending fireworks shooting into crowds of people Friday night at the Garapan Fishing Base., injuring six people and creating a minor stampede at the fair grounds. At least two children and four adults incurred minor injuries. Police and medical officers tended to the injured immediately. One of the victims, Ben Lizama, was reportedly brought to the hospital. A brother-in-law of Jeff Schorr, JR Jacinto, was also reportedly one of the injured after he rushed over to help a child who fell.

## New law corrects errors in statutes

Gov. Benigno R. Fitial has signed a bill fixing technical errors in different laws. Senate Bill 15-61 became Public Law 15-64 after the governor signed it on Wednesday, May 30, 2007. The new law corrects errors and inconsistencies in existing statutes. It repeals previous laws, amends specific provisions, or adds necessary language to the Commonwealth Code. For instance, a global amendment was made to all references to the Marianas Public Lands Corp., Division of Public Lands, Office of Public Lands, or the Marianas Public Lands Authority in the Commonwealth. These references should read "Department of Public Lands," the law states. Likewise, any reference to the Board of Public Lands is amended to read "Secretary of Public Lands."

## **June 3, 2008**

## 'CPA emergency not permanent'

Gov. Benigno R. Fitial says he plans to end the emergency declaration for the Commonwealth Ports Authority as soon as possible. Fitial, in a report to the Legislature, said he had no intention to keep CPA permanently under his direct control. Proof of this was his decision to limit the reorganization order to 120 days. "I...[state] without reservation that it is my intention to take all measures to terminate the emergency declaration as soon as possible and preferably within 30 days," he said.

### Muna: CUC probe on illegal hook-ups an ongoing process

The Commonwealth Utilities Corp.'s investigation into people or businesses hooking up illegally to the power grid is an ongoing process, according to CUC executive director Antonio Muña. In an interview with Saipan Tribune, Muña said they've got people in the field who are making observations on power tampering. When asked if CUC has information as to the percentage of customers involved in illegal connections, Muña said he is not sure.

## AHEC offers prep course for NCLEX-RN exam

The CNMI Area Health Education Center, through the Northern Marianas College Community Development Institute, is sponsoring a review course for the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses, or NCLEX-RN. To become a licensed registered nurse, candidates in the CNMI and in the U.S. must first pass the NCLEX.

To qualify to register for the course, individuals must have a

minimum of an associate's degree in nursing. The deadline to enroll for the NCLEX-RN review course is Friday, June 6, 2014.

CNMI AHEC will subsidize this review course for those individuals who are legal residents of the CNMI (i.e. U.S. citizens and U.S. green card holders). Due to limited funding however, subsidy is based on a first-come-first-serve basis. For others who do not meet the

CNMI residency requirements, the fee for the course is \$480.

This NCLEX-RN preparatory course will run from June 9 to July 16, 2014, every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday (with the exception of July 4, 2014) from 5pm to 8pm at the NMC As Terlaje campus. The schedule for the course will total to 48 hours

Interested applicants must register by Friday, June 6, 2014,

and submit a copy of their highest nursing degree and a valid I.D. (i.e. U.S. passport, driver's license, or birth certificate for verification upon registration). Full payment of the course fee is required before or upon registration, and for admission. No refunds will be allowed after the first day classes are offered.

Additionally, NMC courses are required to have a minimum number of individuals

enrolled in order to proceed. NMC reserves the right to cancel or reschedule such a course if this enrollment requirement is not met.

Preparatory courses are designed to improve individual knowledge and skills. If requested, certificates of completion may be awarded to each registered participant who completes all course requirements. CDI also provides

customized trainings and courses upon request from interested individuals.

For more information and/or to register for the review course, visit the NMC Community Development Institute at the NMC As Terlaje campus in Building P. Those interested may also call CDI at 234-5498 ext. 6802, 6809, 6810 or 6808, or email Orrin Pharmin at orrin.pharmin@marianas.edu. (NMC)

## **COMMUNITY BRIEFS**

## Northern Marianas Descent Corp. meeting

The Northern Marianas Descent Corp. will have a general membership meeting on Tuesday, June 3, 2014, starting at 6:30pm at the Carolinian Utt in Garapan. The meeting's priority agenda item is the recent Article 12 federal court ruling. (*PR*)

## **Kagman High School notices**

- Kagman High graduation practice on Friday, June 6, and Monday, June 9, at 9am, and on Tuesday, June 10, after the award ceremony.
- Kagman High Award ceremony: Tuesday, June 10, at 10am. All Kagman stakeholders are invited!
- Kagman High Graduation Ceremony: Wednesday, June 11, 3pm. All Kagman stakeholders are invited! Come witness the graduation ceremony of this year's Class of 2014. (KHS)

### Input sought from Kagman High parents

To Kagman High parents: KHS needs your input and feedback

## Perez named to Dean's List at Bob Jones U

GREENVILLE, SC—Jermaine Reina Perez, a senior Journalism and Mass Communication major of Saipan, was among approximately 1,400 Bob Jones University students named to the spring 2014 Dean's List.

To qualify for the Dean's List, students must earn a 3.0 grade point average.

Located in Greenville, S.C., Bob Jones University is a biblically faithful, Christian liberal arts university focused on educating the whole person to reflect and serve Christ. BJU offers a unique blend of rigorous academic programs, discipleship, and character and leadership development. We are committed to the truth of Scripture and to pursuing excellence in all we do.

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to reflect on our programs and services so we can see where we can improve for next school year. KHS values your input and we want to know what we did that worked, what you think we could focus on for next year and where we need to improve. Go online and fill out the survey at the address: http://www.advanc-ed.org/survey/public/2330428.

For questions or clarification, call the main office a 237-3840. (KHS)

## CCA board meeting on June 17

The Commonwealth Cancer Association's board of directors will be holding its regular meeting on Tuesday, June 17, 2014, at 3pm at the CCA conference room. Agenda includes reports from the president and program updates. All board meetings are open to the public. For more information, contact the association at 682-0050 or email at cca@ccamarianas.org. (CCA)

## CNMI San Diego Club meeting set

The CNMI San Diego Club will hold a general membership meeting on Sunday, June 8, 2014, at will conduct training Area 517 on Ju 12:30pm to 8:30pm

1pm at Kacy's Residence (3372 Sageflower Drive) in Lemon Grove, Calif. All CNMI residents are encourage to attend. Important matters will be discussed. Please also bring a dish or drinks for everyone to enjoy.

For more information call club president David Atalig at 971-207-7653; vice president Frank Norita at 619-756-7551; or public information officer Kacy at 619-823-9059.

## **Origami workshop at AMP**

Learn the Japanese art of paper folding with visiting origami artist Sachiko Fujimori at the American Memorial Park. Fujimori will demonstrate a variety of models and assist participants with folding. The workshop is free and open to the public. Join us for this unique opportunity on June 4, 2014, from 6pm to 7pm at the American Memorial Park Visitor Center. Paper will be provided. (NPS)

### Navy, Air Force training at Warning Area 517, FDM

ASAN, Guam—The U.S. Navy will conduct training at Warning Area 517 on June 3-4, from 12:30pm to 8:30pm

The U.S. Air Force will conduct training on the island of Farallon de Medinilla during the following dates and times:

- June 3, from 1pm to 5pm
- June 5, from 9am to 3pm
- June 5, from 9am to 3pm ■ June 6, from 9am to 2pm

The general public—especially fishermen, commercial pilots, and marine tour operators—are advised to stay clear from the area during the times and dates indicated.

W-517 is an irregular shaped polygon comprising of 14,000 nautical square miles of airspace that begins south of Guam and extends south-southwest in international waters. This will affect fishing in the vicinity of Santa Rosa Reef and Galvez Bank.

The general location of the training on the island of Farallon de Medinilla training area will be on a 10 nautical mile radius on all quadrants. (*PR*)

## Family grief support meeting on June 5

A group that is in the process of forming a Compassionate Friends chapter on Saipan will be holding their monthly grief support meeting on Thursday, June 5, from 6pm to 7:30pm, in the NMPASI conference room on Middle Road, in Gualo Rai.

The mission of The Compassionate Friends is to assist families toward the positive resolution of grief following the death of a child of any age and to provide information to help others to be supportive. For more information, call Jill Derickson at 989-9821 or e-mail jilld@pticom.com. To learn more about The Compassionate Friends, visit their website at www.compassionatefriends.org. (PR)

## John Gonzales LIVE schedule

Last week's John Gonzales LIVE

that featured the PSS Heroes to Teachers Program will be replayed today, June 3, on TV Channel 14, from 6:30pm to 7:30pm. The program also rebroadcasts on www. betelnutradio.com.

On Wednesday, John Gonzales LIVE will feature the topic "Understanding the Affordable Care Act: What applies, what does not in the CNMI." Guests include Kaitlyn Mocanu and Anna B. Santos of the ACA Consumer Advocate Program, Department of Commerce. To participate in the discussion, contact via email: johngonzaleslive@gmail. com; call 287-9413; or text: 285-META (6382). (PR)

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## **EDITORIAL**

## Snowden still doesn't look like a hero



ccused National Security Agency leaker Edward Snowden was handed a golden opportunity to justify himself Wednesday when he was asked by NBC's Brian Williams whether the American public should view his unauthorized release of thousands of classified U.S. government documents to the media as a principled act of civil disobedience or as a betrayal of his country—and he blew it.

The interview, taped last week, took place at a hotel in Moscow, where Snowden fled last year in order to avoid prosecution on espionage charges. Snowden spent much of the hourlong broadcast trying to convince Williams and the TV audience that he was actually a patriot, not a traitor. His actions, he said, were those of a whistleblower prompted by the noblest of motives: to alert his fellow citizens of the massive government wrongdoing involved in the NSA's secret surveillance programs targeting millions of Americans' private phone calls and emails.

Much of what Snowden had to say about the government's technical capacity to invade the privacy of ordinary citizens without their knowledge or consent surely resonated with a public that has become far more concerned about the scope and purposes of the NSA's activities than it was year ago, when the secret surveillance programs were first reported. Snowden kept reiterating that he felt it was his duty to reveal their existence in order to protect Americans' constitutional rights to privacy and

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## Vladimir Putin, master player

et us now praise Vladimir Putin.

Yes, Russia's president is a cold-hearted autocrat. And yes, he rules through a network of nasty oligarchs bent on squeezing profit from their country's oil riches. If he covets a piece of territory, he's liable to try to grab it.

But he's not a madman. Putin has played an old-fashioned game of international brinkmanship masterfully—and so far, he's coming out ahead.

The Russian president took Ukraine to the brink of war, but then, remarkably, he backed off.

His hands-off attitude toward Ukraine's presidential election on Sunday, and his willingness to negotiate with Ukraine's newly elected Petro Poroshenko, doesn't mean the crisis is over; far from it.

On Monday, for example, Ukrainian troops fought a pitched battle with pro-Russian guerrillas at the airport in Donetsk, the eastern Ukrainian city seized by separatists; about 50 were reported killed. But notice what didn't happen: The Red Army didn't swoop in from Russia to rescue its beleaguered clients.

And that means the struggle over Ukraine isn't going to escalate toward military confrontation between Russia and the West. Instead of a global flash point, it's now merely one of several local wrangles in the territory of the former Soviet Union. And, for the time being, the U.S. and its European allies are content to leave it that way.

Here's the score card: Putin has pocketed Crimea, the first territory in Europe to be seized by force since World War II. (On paper, the United States and the European Union are still demanding that he give the peninsula back to Ukraine, but in private, their leaders concede that's unlikely to happen.) He has forced the European Union to put the brakes on Ukraine's progress toward membership in the Western economic club. He has kept most of Russia's business with the West intact and signed a big new natural gas deal with China. Now all he has to do is wait for Western attention to Ukraine's travails to wane, as it probably will.

"Putin has been watching carefully how people react," Fiona Hill of the Brookings Institution, a longtime Putin-watcher, told me. "By pulling back over the elections, he created himself a breathing space. ... Now everyone is saying, 'We must deal with Russia.' But that puts Russia in the driver's seat.

"Even Poroshenko is saying it's time for normalization with Moscow," she noted. "He knows who's going to call the shots over Ukraine's future: not Brussels, not Washington. It's Moscow."

And Putin won't apologize for that. He considers Ukraine part of what he calls "the post-Soviet space," meaning Russia's rightful sphere of influence. He told foreign journalists last week he acted against Ukraine for defensive reasons, because Kiev's moves to-

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ward membership in the European Union and NATO "threaten our interests."

"There are certain red lines that we can't allow to be crossed," Putin explained.

President Obama and his European allies had a red line in this crisis, too—but it was in a different place: Ukraine's western borders, where NATO begins. With no treaty commitment to defend Ukraine and little confidence in the Kiev government, the Western powers had no appetite for military involvement. Obama quickly rejected proposals to send troops or even significant military aid—no U.S. boots on the ground, and no boots for Ukraine's army, either.

Obama wasn't passive. Working with German Chancellor Angela Merkel, he organized U.S.-European economic sanctions against individual Russian oligarchs, and threatened tougher sanctions if Putin disrupted Sunday's election. Hill and other independent experts believe the threat was one reason Putin allowed the election to go forward.

But that threat may also have been a high-water mark in Western toughness against Russia. Officials said Tuesday that there would be no more sanctions merely because pro-Russian separatists blocked voting in Donetsk and other eastern cities.

Now it's up to Poroshenko, a chocolate magnate with major business interests in Russia, to negotiate a new relationship with Putin while also meeting the demands of a Ukrainian electorate that still wants the country to move toward the West.

Poroshenko has said concluding a free trade "association agreement" with the EU is his first order of business. But he may attempt to convince Putin that Ukraine can retain its existing free trade agreement with Russia at the same time.

Can he have both? Putin holds important leverage on Ukraine's economic and political stability: almost all its energy supplies, the main markets for its manufactured goods, billions of dollars in debts owed to Moscow, plus all those well-armed separatists in Donetsk.

The old concept of international spheres of influence may seem outmoded, but Putin has been blunt: He believes in it. He wants Russia to have one, with Ukraine inside it. And so far, he's winning.

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Hombre estorian Marianas ni tinige` otru guaha siha kuestionhu hafa tinateña i mañgge` na marinerun Españot. Hafa eskaleran edukasioña yan kau ti bulacheru ni umasagua yan fiet aguayente gi hilu` batku? Debi ginen i tano`ta estorian pot tautau-ta. I doblada ti parehu gi kinemprenden otru yan mismu tautau-ta. Estague` na puntu ti bai lache.

Kanta pot man-mames siha na memorias layeye pot despedida gi otru tautau isla siha ni man-mattu kumu bisita. Man-a`entrega regalu yan mana` guaha bibu na gupot gi uttimu pueñge antes de u bira siha tatte gi tanu` niha. Magahet sumen bonito este na despedida antes `nai solu sahyan i natibu i galaide yan sakman.

Uttimu sunidu pot niyog ni mapresenta kumu regalu. Ginen este na simiya `nai doku` ya ma-umenta mas mantension tautau isla. Todu patte gi niyog siña manasetbe gi nesessidat tautau. Kasse

### **SNOWDEN**

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freedom from unwarranted searches and seizures under the Fourth Amendment.

But the crucial question came when Williams asked Snowden why he fled to Russia if he considered his disclosure of classified material an act of civil disobedience. Why didn't he return to the United States, as Secretary of State John Kerry has urged him to do, in order to face the charges against him at a public trial where he could argue the legitimacy of his motives and the gravity of the danger represented by the NSA's unchecked power to peer into the private lives of citizens?

Moreover, Williams reminded him, isn't the whole point of civil disobedience that it is driven by conscience, and that those who to practice it must also be willing to suffer the consequences for their actions?

Snowden's reply, in a nutshell, was that (1) he couldn't get a fair trial in the U.S. under the terms of the Espionage Act, and (2) that he was unwilling to risk spending years or possibly decades in prison because the criminal system was rigged against defendants in espionage cases. That, he said, would only discourage future whistleblowers from coming forward when they saw the government engaged in illegal activity carried out in secret.

But wait—nobody ever said you're only obligated to endure the consequences of your actions if those consequences are to your liking, and that if not, you're free to skip them altogether. Yet that is exactly what Snowden seemed to be saying. He suggested he would return to the U.S. if he can work out a plea deal with the Justice Department in advance that would require him to serve only a relatively light prison term—perhaps a year or so. Anything more than that, he said, would be unacceptable.

Does that sound like someone who broke the law out of conscience in full recognition that he should be prepared to endure the consequences of his actions? Not to us it doesn't. Snowden had a chance to reclaim the moral high ground he lost when he initially fled to Russia (en route to Cuba or Ecuador, he hoped) after his identity as the source of the leaked documents was revealed. None of those countries can be said to respect the privacy rights of their citizens or their right to freedom of expression. If Snowden was trying to make a point about limiting governments' intrusion into their citizens private lives, he could hardly have picked three worse examples of places where those limits are routinely violated.

If American viewers were looking for a credible explanation of why Snowden leaked thousands of classified documents that the U.S. says resulted in serious damage to the nation's security, they didn't get it on Wednesday. There is no question that Snowden revealed things about our government's activities that demanded reforms. But there is also no doubt that he broke his oath to protect the county and then fled to avoid facing the consequences of his crime. For that reason, we cannot see him as the hero he would like to be.

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un troñku ni likidu benifisiosu gi katket usu. Un` troñku lokue` ni numa`e kanaiña todu oriyan isla gi halom iya Pasifiku.

I hagun niyog bumaila teñga suabe gi guinaifen mañglu`. Tat ti lumi`e kinalamteña gi kanton tasi. I napu kumilulog halom kulan esklabu ya ha chiku` i inai gi kanton tasi. I pajaru gi aire mañgakanta mientras mafalalague i tasi `sino lugat niha `an pueñge.

Ai, todu pas yan felis gi minañgau pulan piot `an gualafon. Kontodu sensian tautau hana` ma`aggem. Esta mauleg deskanso-ta gi pueñge. Estague` siha mina` difirensiau linala` isla yan tat lugat kumu Asia, Uropa, sanlichan yan sankatan na America.

Huli'e inetnon tautau gi kanton tasi taimanu antes giya Rongelap yan Utirik gi 1974. Sige huyuñg batkon mame estake man-maliñgu kanai niha gi chagu'. Mafattu pinitihu sa' hu didiñgu megai man-malañgu ginen potbus Atomic bomb ni mayute gi fihon tanu' niha gi 1944. Makat na finapos pot chetnot agaga' (thyroid) ginen binenon potbus A-Bomb. Tailaye na cho'chu'.

I primet na ininan atdau an oga`an ha tutuhon dumerite i sirenu. 'Nai teti ichan dispues ha chaguague`, man-magof linachog tinanum siha gi hatdin familia. I hagun mendioka man-lamlam mientras inasa`an choda troñku esta listu para umahoñggu`. I pinegsai manog duru man-palapa gigon manunog ginen sagan niha. I babue ti kontentu ya sige umesalau estake mana` chochu. Magof siñienteta maseha dikiki` i hatdin familia.

Hinalulula si tata umaregla talayan tiau para u chage manampe na oga`an. Gi kantun tasi, kumahat dispues ha dagau i talaya. Gaigeyu` yan guagua` gi santatte sige hu rikohe kineni` siha ni ha tantan gi hilu` unai. Hafana`gue-yu` man-go`naf tiau yan unai. Dispues, in` tulus ham para i gima` ya in` kelaguen dididi` para amotsan talo`ane. I tetehnan ma-asnen tukun mientras tantos ma-aflitun pattun.

## By JOHN S. DELROSARIO JR.

Special to the Saipan Tribune

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Gaige si biha-hu na duru ha gugan i mai'es. Ha pega dispues gi ma-afuke na hanom para eskome. 'Nos kuantos dias dispues ha lagnos, hinagua yan kompatte. Guaha para atmayas yan titiyas.

Ha pega i mitate ya ha tutuhon manguleg. Ha pada` estake ridondu dispues ha pega gi hilu` komat. Ha pega palu eskome gi mulinu ya ilegña chogue ennau para atmayas.

Dispues, ha tutuhon man-lomug sunin agaga` gi achu` lusuñg. Hana` tinatiye linemug tininun lemai. Esta ti ayikun manu gi dos `nai ha na`ye lechen niyog. Ti presisu totche i linemug este na klasen agu` on natibu.

I usun asigan tasi gi asnentukon ti dañosu taiguihe asigan tenda. Ti bai fama pot hinemlu`. Lau naturat na na`yen neñkanu` ni gaige gi hilu` achu` kanton tasi. Marikohe para usun sentadan familia deste antigu na tiempu. Hasan na attikulu lau esta pa`gu mahohoka giya Luta. Uma`afagcha` hinalom atulai yan otru siha guihan yan `nai umañglu` i asigan tasi. Bendision!

Afañielos, estague` `nos kuantos patte gi linala` tautau isla. Yangin guaha tiniñgo`mu hagas mapraktitika antes ni kulan maliñgu, mauleg ta pañgon tatte para i famaguonta. In` tiñgu` hafa ka`et? Esta i dispues. Si Iku.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## In defense of Lino Olopai

Dear Mr. DuBrall: I have attached a picture of Mr. Lino Olopai, as I do not believe you have ever met him because of your comments regarding him.

You suggested that Lino could make better use of his time by promoting education. A research-based fact of education is that children who come from strong families, who know and respect their culture, do better in all areas of school. An interesting, related, fact is that students who learn their parents' language as their first language do better in reading and writing than students who learn English as their first language when English is not the first language of their parents. A research study reported in the *New York Times* found that students who knew their family tree and the stories that were part of their trees were more resilient to the stress and confusion of 9/11 than the students who did not know their about their families.

The research simply proves what Lino knows to be true. He tells a story about how the coconut tree is the tree of life, it provides materials for roofs, rope, cups, navigation instruments, shade, drink for voyages, seasonings, and food. He then reminds the listener that the coconut tree is the tree of life, but you really should learn about your tree of life

Mr. DuBrall, you should be aware that when Mr. Olopai writes his letters, he is out of his element as English is not his first language and he doesn't own a computer. However, ask the boy scouts, sum-



CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

Lino Olopai is shown here frolicking with children at the beach. Photo provided by Valrick Welch. The students in the picture have signed media release forms.

mer science camp students, 6th grade students on a retreat, his relatives, or any number of people that happen to be on the beach when he offers them a ride on a sailboat, what it is like to go out with him and be one with the wind and the ocean.

**Valrick Welch** 

Capital Hill, Saipan

## An asset to the culture

Three pistols and multiple calibers of bullets were confiscated when a motorist was stopped for speeding on Saipan last Friday. I wonder at times with the number of illegal weapons being confiscated in the CNMI over the past decades, why the numbers of homicides has not skyrocketed in our island chain? If you compare the CNMI with a small town in the state of California, our island chain has more illegal guns per capita. Recently there was a shooting rampage in the state of California and several individuals were killed. To think about it, it is the family oriented or family values that we have in the CNMI or shaming in our family that is the ultimate reason why we have minimal homicides relating to guns in our paradise.

Thanks to people like Mr. Lino M. Olopai and our elders, our society is not as violent as the city that I grew up in the State of California. The United States flag had been flying over our islands and we are better off than any city in the state of California when it comes to gun violence. My buddy from California who is living in

the CNMI reminds me of not having to deal with random drive-by shooting and constant shooting in our islands.

The United States has one of the best educational systems in the world, but it does not have any solution when it comes to dealing with its ghettos or neighborhoods or hoods. Education is not the only answer to our societal problems, I'd rather be driving a canoe and fishing in the CNMI than worrying about when is the next bullet is going to penetrate my dwelling in California.

Our era is not 1814, it is the year 2014 and I am hoping that we teach our future generations the lessons that we learn from our elders and especially Mr. Lino M. Olopai. Mr. Lino, you are not part of our societal problems; you had been an asset to our cultural advancement.

Segundo Castro

Marpo Valley, Tinian

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Satellite image and accompanying information are provided by the National Weather Service. For an updated weather forecast, visit the National Weather Service Guam Homepage: www.prh.noaa.gov/guam/

## The Weather

### 5-Day Forecast for Saipan and Tinian

Partly cloudy with isolated showers. East winds 5 to 15 mph.

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Partly cloudy with isolated showers. Southeast winds 5 to 15 mph.

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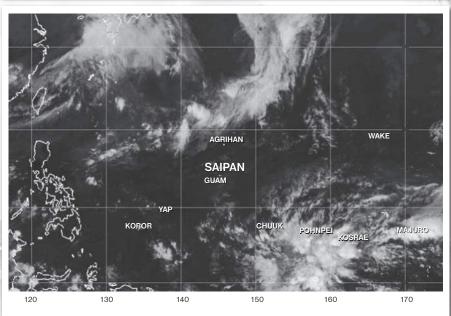
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Palau	Thunderstorms	<u></u> 81	<b>▼</b> 79
Yap	Thunderstorms	<b>▲</b> 82	<b>▼</b> 80
Chuuk	Thunderstorms	<b>▲</b> 82	<b>▼</b> 81
Pohnpei	Thunderstorms	<b>▲</b> 82	<b>▼</b> 79
Kosrae	Thunderstorms	<b>▲</b> 82	<b>▼</b> 79
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Honolulu	Mostly Sunny	<b>▲</b> 84	<b>▼</b> 73
London	Showers	<b>▲</b> 66	₹53
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Miami	Cloudy	<b>▲</b> 81	₹75
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Osaka	Showers	<b>▲</b> 81	▼65
Paris	Showers	<b>▲</b> 68	<b>▼</b> 55
Pusan	Rain	<b>▲</b> 68	▼63
Rome	Sunny	<b>▲</b> 79	<b>▼</b> 59
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## Yesterday's Satellite Image



### PICTURE TIME: 1:00PM, MONDAY, JUNE 2, 2014

Western North Pacific between equator and 25N from 130E to 180.

A nearly stationary front curves southwestward from 25N155E to 21N150E to eventually end near 16N130E. Cloudiness, patchy rain and a few thunderstorms across the far Northern Marianas are along and up to 300 miles northwest of this boundary. A small disturbance southeast of Koror is causing scattered showers and a few thunderstorms within 75 miles of a line from 4N137E to 2N140E. An isolated thunderstorm is also far southwest of Koror near 1N131E. A more significant tropical disturbance is centered south of Pohnpei near 3N158E. Scattered showers and isolated thunderstorms near and south of Chuuk, Pohnpei and Kosrae are south of a line from 5N150E to 9N156E to 7N164E to beyond the equator. Trade-wind convergence is triggering scattered showers and isolated thunderstorms across the Marshall Islands within 100 miles of a line from 7N168E to beyond the date line at 6N180.

### **Tides** Saipan Harbor High Tide: 1.8 Feet 12:52 AM Today 6:49 AM Today Low Tide: 1.1 Feet 11:11 AM Today High Tide: 1.6 Feet 6:27 PM Today Low Tide: 0.1 Feet

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## Golden Harvest holds 15th commencement rites

Golden Harvest International School students toasted their hard work and accomplishments during their Recognition Ceremony on May 24, 2014, at the Pedro P. Tenorio Multi-Purpose Center.

Inspirational speaker Senior Airman Chris Daniel T. Divino congratulated the awardees for a job well done and imparted a compelling message to the students. "Successful people have one thing in common—they do what they love, and love what they do. ...You will soon see that happiness, hard work, and dedication breeds success. You will begin to understand that opportunities really do come once in a lifetime. So take every chance you can get, continue to improve yourselves and be the best you can possibly become. Be, creative, be innovative, and be imaginative. Be everything you have always seen yourself to be. Shoot for the skies. Aim for the best and make an impression.

"Like the great Yoda from *Star Wars* said, 'There is no try, only do or do not.' Inspire yourselves and inspire others. ... Find something you love, give it your all, and most importantly, give it to God."

Daycare director Aida Viloria, principal Marilyn T. Divino, and Sr. Airman Chris Daniel T. Divino handed out certificates, medals and trophies to the young achievers.

All the students also got the chance to showcase their talents in dancing and singing.

The 15th Commencement Exercises began right after the Recognition Ceremony, also at the Multi-Purpose Center.

Dream Jayna A. Mariano, the Kinder 5 valedictorian, said in her speech, "I am very pleased to stand before you today, not because of the awards but because I am a part of an exceptional class—a class who achieved so much, a class of talented people."

She offered thanks to her parents and teachers, saying, "All of our achievements is not ours alone, but yours."

Kristel Andrea R. Lubi, the Kinder 5 salutatorian, told her classmates, "There will be new challenges, and new opportunities to learn. Some of us will meet new friends. Some of us will stay, and some of us will go somewhere else. But one thing will surely remain, the spirit of friendship we developed, the memory of a joyful year, the wisdom we got from our teachers and mentors, and the pride we shared as students of Golden Harvest International School."

School principal Divino thanked all the parents for their undaunted sacrifices, unwavering patience, and for inculcating in their children their ambitious spirits. She also gave thanks to the faculty "for teaching

them these first few steps. We know that it is not perfect, but missteps are not missteps at all. They are opportunities for learning new perspective." For the graduates, she urged them to be always passionate to attain their goals, citing their theme, "Goals are the fuel in the furnace of achievements."

Guest speaker Escolastica T. Iguel, a retired public school teacher and currently teaching under the Title 1 Federal Program, shared a quote from Hellen Keller: "Life is a succession of lessons which must be lived to be understood." She said that every child "is an artist. The problem is how to remain an artist once he grows up. That depends on how much time we give and how patient and understanding we are with our children."

Awardees were presented with medals and trophies by Daycare director Viloria, Divino, Golden Harvest spiritual adviser Samuel Ramirez, and Iguel.

The event concluded with a prayer and the community singing, *Mighty to Save.* (PR)

## Guam anticipates a \$22M Medicaid funding shortfall

HAGATNA, Guam (AP)—Public health officials in Guam are anticipating a \$22 million funding shortfall in the territory's Medicaid program this fiscal year.

The shortfall could create problems for Guam Memorial Hospital, one of the largest care providers for patients under the Medicaid program, the *Pacific Daily News* reported Tuesday.

"That directly affects the hospital, our cash flow," hospital administrator Joseph Verga said.

Last year, the hospital suffered financial constraints. Administrators worried they wouldn't be able to pay staff because the Medicaid program ran out of money at the same time the federal government garnished the hospital's Medicare reimbursements.

Federal funds are available to pay for Medicaid patients, but that money can't be released until local funds are identified to pay a percentage of each claim.

Tess Archangel, director of the Public Welfare Division at Guam's Department of Public Health and Social Services, has requested \$8 million in federal funds, but those funds do not currently have local matching funds available. If enough local funds are identified, that will decrease the projected shortfall in Medicaid this fiscal year, Archangel said.

Archangel said \$3 million in local funds was identified as a match for \$4 million in federal funds to pay for current Medicaid bills. But those funds will not prevent a shortfall this fiscal year, Archangel said.

The \$22 million shortfall is based on the federal government's obligation to pay 57 percent of Medicaid charges, as long as the local government pays for the remainder, Archangel said.



## **NEW REPAIR FACILITY**

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Gov. Eloy Inos, together with Commonwealth Utilities Corp. executive director Allan Fletcher and other officials cut the ribbon on CUC's new Maintenance and Repair Facility in Sadog Tasi. The federally funded project, which was done through a \$351,000 grant from the US Environmental Protection Agency, was built by Pacific Green Integrated Technologies.



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## RELOCATION OF DCRM OFFICE

Effective June 2 - 6, 2014, the Division of Coastal Resources Management (DCRM) is moving to the Bureau of Environmental and Coastal Quality (BECQ) Office in Gualo Rai at the same building where the Division of Environmental Quality (DEQ) is located.

Please contact DCRM at 664-8500 for more information.

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## SOLICITING PUBLIC COMMENTS:

FY 2015 Basic Support (BS) and Supported Employment (SE) State Plan Goals

**BS Goal 1.** Deliver quality and timely services to applicants and

**BS Goal 2.** Serve as an advocate for individuals with disabilities.

**BS Goal 3.** Continue to work closely with the Workforce Investment Board to maintain and improve the best features of our workforce development system and to initiate efforts to integrate services for consumers.

**BS Goal 4.** Facilitate and ensure the seamless transition of students with disabilities to employment or continued education.

**SE Goal 1.** Expand options of vendors providing supported employment services.

**SE Goal 2.** To increase the number of consumers receiving supported employment services.

**SE Goal 3.** To strengthen partnership with the Division of Mental Health in an effort to improve services to mutual consumers with the most significant disabilities.

Arlene Kay A. Yamagata, M.S., C.R.C.

OVR Director

Isidro K. Seman SRC Chairperson The Office of Vocational Rehabilitation (OVR), in partnership with the State Rehabilitation Council (SRC), will be conducting statewide public forums to obtain comments on its FY 2015 State Plan Updates for Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) Services.

Interested individuals are invited to attend and participate in the scheduled public forums. These forums present an opportunity to discuss what's working and not working with our Vocational Rehabilitation Program. Discussions will focus on identifying effective strategies that aim to increase employment and promote independence among eligible individuals with disabilities throughout the CNMI. In additional, we will take the opportunity to identify barriers and at the same time discuss possible solutions for program improvement. Your input is essential and your partnership valuable as we work together to ensure quality and timely services to VR applicants and consumers.

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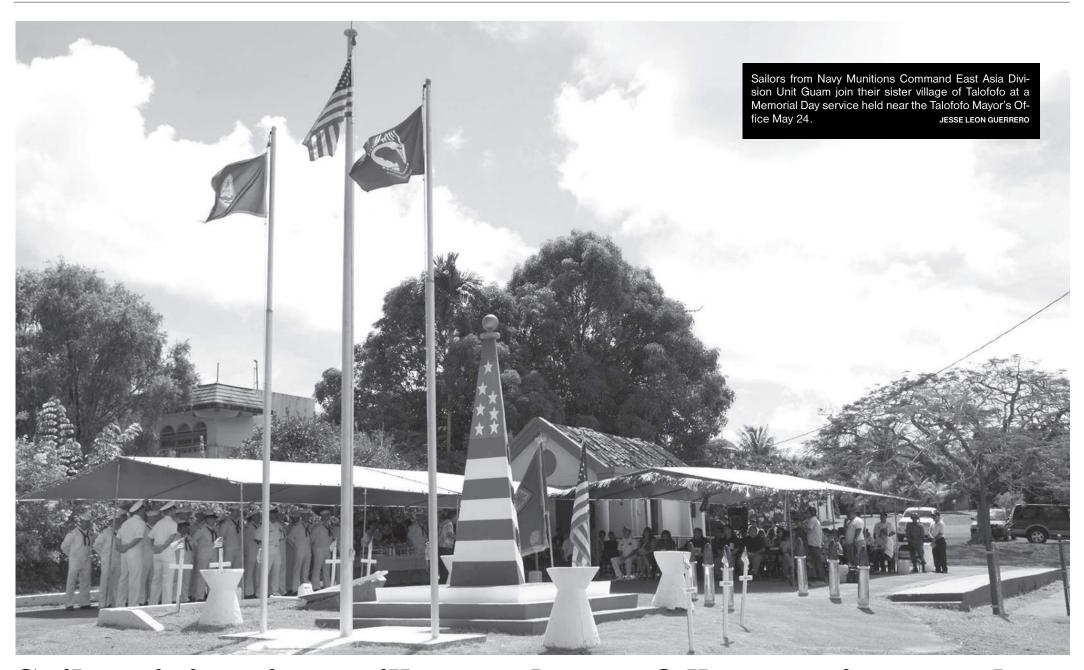
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## Sailors joins sister village to honor fallen service members

TALOFOFO, Guam—Navy Munitions Command East Asia Division Unit Guam partnered with their sister village of Talofofo to honor fallen service members at a Memorial Day service on May 24.

Command sailors helped lay wreaths and candles in front of a memorial monument to honor those who died defending the nation.

"Let us remember Talofofo's sons and all those in uniform today who continue to serve so that future generations can live in peace, prosperity and freedom," said Cmdr. Bart Hall, NMC EAD Unit Guam commanding officer. "We must also remember those that continue to serve our country in warzones around the world. Every day they do their duty [and] I am humbled by their dedication and commitment."

Talofofo Mayor Vicente Taitague offered his gratitude to the fallen heroes and their families for their service and sacri-

"We often hear that freedom has a price, that each generation pays its dues," he said. "Today is our day to say 'thank you' and 'si yu'os ma'ase' to those generations who paid the bills and to those who paid dearly with their lives."

Gunner's Mate Seaman Apprentice Aaron Peterson said he was glad to volunteer for the event as it gave sailors the opportunity to pay homage to fellow service members and work with their sister village.

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NMC EAD Unit Guam main- with them in the past to provide maintenance and cleanups at tains close ties with the residents volunteer tutoring and mentor- schools and participation in holof Talofofo and have partnered ship of public school students, iday celebrations. (PR)



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Mineman 2nd Class (SS/DV) Mark Goldey, of Navy Munitions Command East Asia Division Unit Guam, provides a candle to Frank Santos to place in front of a monument for his brother, fallen service member Staff Sgt. Rafael Salas Santos, during a Memorial Day service held near the Talofofo Mayor's Office May 24.



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Chief Mineman (SW) Christopher Robinson, of Navy Munitions Command East Asia Division Unit Guam, salutes a memorial honoring fallen U.S. service members of the Iraqi War during a Memorial Day service near the Talofofo Mayor's Office May 24.

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## Island Snapshots



**CASH FOR TRASH** 

CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

Students of Agape Christian School pick up trash as part of the school's Cash for Trash activity, a fundraising initiative of the Saipan Chamber of Commerce. The Chamber pays a nominal amount to groups that take part in this activity as a means for these groups to raise funds, while at the same time cleaning up the island.



## COMMUNITY SERVICE

CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

Kagman High School Ayuyu Battalion JROTC cadets earned community service hours this Saturday by cleaning up Marine Beach. This is just one of many activities that cadets participate in to become better citizens. From left, C/SGT Ashley Tabilisma, C/2LT Kris Butters, C/2LT Philippe Lacson, MSG James Burke, C/LTC Paolo Reyes, and C/CSM Jerry Borja.



WALK FOR HEALTH

JAYSON CAMACHO

Students from Saipan Seventh-day Adventist School participate in National Prevention Week along Beach Road, by signing up for a health walk to Quartermaster on May 23.



**NMC CHARTER DAY** 

CONTRIBUTED PHOTO

IT&E was a major sponsor of the 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual NMC Charter Day on May 16, 2014. From left, LJ Castro, NMC Charter Day emcee; Natashia Tomokane, IT&E; Ervin Cruz and Jerry Pangelinan, NMC Charter Day committee members.



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From left, Tania David, Bank of Guam; Bernice Sabino, Marianas Idol first place winner; and Natashia Tomokane, IT&E.



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From left, Tania David, Bank of Guam; Juliet Inocencio, Marianas Idol second place winner; and Natashia Tomokane, IT&E.



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From left, Natashia Tomokane, IT&E; Stefani Tagabuel, Marianas Idol third place winner; and Jerry Pangelinan, NMC Charter Day Committee member.

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## **Business**

## Philly Inquirer co-owner among 7 dead in jet crash

BEDFORD, Mass. (AP)— Philadelphia Inquirer co-owner Lewis Katz was killed along with six other people in a fiery plane crash in Massachusetts, just days after reaching a deal that many hoped would end months of infighting at the newspaper and help restore it to its former glory.

The 72-year-old businessman's Gulfstream corporate jet ran off the end of a runway, plunged down an embankment and erupted in a fireball during a takeoff attempt Saturday night at Hanscom Field outside Boston, authorities said. There were

Katz was returning to New Jersey from a gathering at the home of Pulitzer Prize-winning historian Doris Kearns Goodwin. Also killed was a next-door neighbor of Katz's, Anne Leeds, a 74-year-old retired preschool teacher he had invited along, and Marcella Dalsey, the director of Katz's son's foundation.

The identities of the other victims weren't immediately released. Nancy Phillips, Katz's longtime partner and city editor at the Inquirer, was not aboard.

Investigators said it was too soon to say what caused the crash.

Katz made his fortune investing in parking lots and the New York Yankees' cable network. He once owned the NBA's New Jersey Nets and the NHL's New Jersey Devils and in 2012 became a minority investor in the Inquirer.

Last Tuesday, Katz and former cable magnate Harold H.F. "Gerry" Lenfest struck a deal to gain full control of the Inquirer, the Philadelphia Daily News and Philly.com by buying out their fellow owners for \$88 million-an agreement that ended a very public feud over the Inquirer's business and journalism direction.

## EPA seeks to cut power plant carbon by 30 percent

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Obama administration on Monday will roll out a plan to cut earth-warming pollution from power plants and 30 percent by 2030, setting in motion one of the most significant actions to address global warming in U.S. history.

The rule, which is expected to be final next year, will set the first national limits on carbon dioxide, the chief gas linked to global warming from the nation's power plants. They are the largest source of greenhouse gases in the U.S., accounting for about a third of the annual emissions that make the U.S. the second largest contributor to global warming on the planet.

The Environmental Protection Agency regulation is a centerpiece of President Barack Obama's plans to reduce the pollution linked to global warming, a step that the administration hopes will get other countries to act when negotiations on a new international treaty resume next year.

Despite concluding in 2009 that greenhouse gases endanger human health and welfare, a finding that triggered their regulation under the 1970 Clean Air Act, it has taken years for the administration to take on the nation's fleet of power plants. In December 2010, the Obama administration announced a "modest pace" for setting greenhouse gas standards for power plants, setting a May 2012 deadline.

## Stand up to bullying manager

uestion: When I took this job a few months ago, several people warned me about a difficult co-worker with a strong personality. "Sybil" has been here longer than anyone else, and everyone walks on eggshells around her. She is very bossy and likes to tell people what to do. Our manager works at a different location, so he is unaware of these issues.

Recently, Sybil has begun acting like my gatekeeper. She won't allow anyone into my cubicle and even tells people not to speak to me while I'm working. If someone leaves me a written request, Sybil handles the situation herself, then throws the note away without telling me.

Because there are only six people in this office, I'm reluctant to make waves. However, Sybil's interference is making it hard to do my job. What would you suggest?

**Answer:** If "everyone walks on eggshells" around Sybil, then you are clearly dealing with an office bully. Bullies will persecute anyone who allows it, so stop fretting about rocking the boat and start standing up

## YOUR OFFICE COACH

By MARIE G. MCINTYRE McClatchy-Tribune News Service

Marie G. McIntyre is a workplace coach and the author of "Secrets to Winning at Office Politics." Send in questions and get free coaching



for yourself. Based on the warnings you received, your colleagues may also need to learn

low her on Twitter @officecoach.

People who are easily intimidated frequently fail to establish appropriate boundaries. When you allow Sybil to ban others from your cubicle, you are voluntarily giving her the power to control you. And when your co-workers comply, they are doing the same. Collectively, you have all conspired to make Sybil the evil queen of the office.

The good news is that, having put her in this position, the group can also choose to overthrow this domineering woman. To accomplish this, all five of you must agree on new rules for dealing with her. For example, you can simply ignore Sybil's directives about who can speak to whom. And you could send emails or texts instead of leaving notes.

Bullying managers present a more difficult challenge, because they actually have organizational power. But peers who wish to dominate require a cooperative victim, so it's time for you to abandon that role.

Q: As a supervisor in a large corporation, I have 40 people reporting to me. By the end of each day, I feel completely drained and barely have enough energy left for my family. I recently took a quiz which indicated that I am a strong introvert, so I wonder if that could be the problem. I'm considering taking a course in medical coding and billing, which sounds like a better fit for my personality. What do you think?

**A:** Contrary to popular belief, introverts are not necessarily shy or aloof. They simply find too much interaction to be tiring and over-stimulating, so they carefully budget their "people time" in order to conserve energy. This physiological trait is no more changeable than height or eye color.

Supervising 40 people requires constant communication. so your self-assessment may indeed be correct. But while less interaction might better suit your temperament, that alone does not insure that medical billing is the job for you. So before signing up for training, be sure to explore all aspects of this unfamiliar occupation.

## **Nation**

## US defends captive swap with Taliban, critics stir

**WASHINGTON** (AP)—Five years a captive from the Afghanistan war, Sgt. Bowe Bergdahl is back in American hands, freed for five Guantanamo terrorism detainees in a swap stirring sharp debate in Washington over whether the U.S. should have negotiated with the Taliban over prisoners.

U.S. officials said Sunday that Bergdahl's health and safety appeared in jeopardy, prompting rapid action to secure his release. Republicans said the deal could place U.S. troops in danger, especially if the freed detainees return to the fight—one called it "shocking." Arizona Sen. John McCain said of the five detainees. "These are the hardest of the hard core."

Visiting troops in Afghanistan, Defense Secretary Chuck Hagel stepped forward at Bagram Air Field to thank the special operations forces who retrieved Bergdahl, who officials said was the only American prisoner of war still held by insurgents in that conflict. Gen. Joseph Dunford spoke of the excitement that spread through U.S. ranks when the sergeant's release was confirmed. "You almost got



Jani and Bob Bergdahl speak to the media during a press conference at Gowen Field in Boise, Idaho, on Sunday, June 1, 2014.

choked up," he said. "It was pretty extraordinary."

Tireless campaigners for their son's freedom, Bob and Jani Bergdahl thanked all who were behind the effort to retrieve him. "You were not left behind," Bob Bergdahl told reporters, as if speaking to his son. "We are so proud of the way this was carried out." He spoke in Boise, Idaho, as residents in the sergeant's hometown of Hailey prepared for a homecoming celebration.

Hagel was met with silence when he told troops in a Bagram hangar: "This is a happy day. We got one of our own back." It was unclear whether the absence of cheers and applause came from a reluctance to display emotion in front of the Pentagon chief or from any doubts among the troops about Bergdahl.

In weighing the swap, U.S. officials decided it could help the effort to reach reconciliation with the Taliban, which the U.S. sees as key to more security in Afghanistan. But they acknowledged the risk that the deal would embolden insurgents, perhaps encouraging them to grab U.S. troops or citizens as bargaining chips for the release of others in U.S. custody.

## Official: Recovering fallen climbers too dangerous

MOUNT RAINIER NA-TIONAL PARK, Wash. (AP)—It's too dangerous right now to search for the bodies of six climbers who likely plummeted to their deaths while attempting one of the more technical and physically grueling routes to the peak of Mount Rainier in Washington state, park officials said Sunday.

Like others who have died on the mountain, there's a possibility the two guides and four climbers believed to have fallen 3,300 feet from their last known location may never be found, they say.

"People are very understanding that we cannot risk another life at this point," Patti Wold, a Mount Rainier National Park spokeswoman, said Sunday.

Under safer conditions, crews could go in after the bodies. "The families, I'm sure, would like that closure," Wold said. But continuous falling ice and rock make the avalancheprone area too dangerous for rescuers, she said.

The climbers were last heard from at 6 p.m. Wednesday when the guides checked in with their Seattle-based company, Alpine Ascents International, by satellite phone. The group failed to return Friday as planned.

They are presumed dead in one of the worst alpine accidents on Rainier since 1981,

when 11 people were struck and killed by a massive ice fall on the Ingraham Glacier.

Family and friends of the dead climbers arrived at the mountain Sunday to meet with park officials, but declined to speak with media that had gathered at the park's headquarters.

"They're just devastated," Wold said.

It's unclear whether the climbers were moving or camping at the time of the accident, Wold said. Searchers located camping and climbing gear and detected signals from avalanche beacons buried in the snow at the top of the Carbon Glacier at 9,500 feet in elevation.

## Rare 'mono mono' twins could be home within weeks

Ohio couple whose twins were born holding hands is getting a taste of what it's like to be celebrity parents

The identical twins, born sharing the same amniotic sac and placenta, are making progress toward going home from the hospital, their parents say. A photo showing twins Jenna and Jillian holding hands taken shortly after birth May 9 at Akron General Medical Center went viral.

"It's still been crazy," father Bill Thistlethwaite said. "Everywhere we go, someone saw it. People are still talking about it."

CINCINNATI (AP)—The He said he and his wife, well, hospital spokeswoman Sarah, were approached by people Saturday while having breakfast at a diner in their hometown of Orrville before going to visit the girls. They want to know how the twins are doing and express their good wishes, he said.

Both girls are taking full bottles and have gained weight, each now at 5 pounds or more.

Their rare birth condition is called monoamniotic, or "mono mono," and doctors say they occur in about one of every 10,000 pregnancies. A second pair born at Akron General the following week also are doing Amy Kilgore said.

Jenna was born first at 4 pounds, 2 ounces and 17 inches, with Jillian following 48 seconds later at 3 pounds, 13 ounces and 17.5 inches. They were born at 33 weeks and two days to their 32-yearold mother, a middle school math teacher.

They were moved to Akron Children's Hospital after birth because they needed breathing assistance.

If they continue to hit feeding milestones, they are on track to be home in another week or two, just before Father's Day.

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## Asia

## Can S. Korea conduct fair trial of ferry crew?

months after the ferry Sewol sank, court proceedings over the disaster are set to begin for 15 crew members over the disaster—four of them for homicide. The job of defending them falls almost entirely on six state-appointed lawyers, three of whom started practicing law only this year.

The defendants are surrounded by hostility in South Korea, all the way up to President Park Geun-hye, who has called the crew's actions murderous. Private lawyers have abandoned their cases. Even the family of a deceased crew member who was praised as a hero speaks of him with shame.

The anger raises questions about the fairness of the crew members' impending trial, details of which will be worked out at a June 10 court hearing in Gwangju. All surviving crew members responsible for the ship's navigation have been charged with negligence and with failing to do their duty to protect passengers in the April 16 disaster.

Authorities have recovered 288 bodies and continue to look for 16 others in the wrecked ship off South Korea's southwestern coast.

There are allegations that the ferry operator, Chonghaejin Marine Co., dangerously overloaded the vessel and gave crew members inadequate emergency training, and some company

INCHEON, South Korea (AP)—Less than two officials also have been arrested. But they may be better able to defend themselves than the crew. The fugitive head of Chonghaejin, Yoo Byung-eun, is a billionaire. The Sewol's captain, Lee Joon-seok, reportedly made 2.7 million won (\$2,635) a month.

And it is the crew members, not the company higher-ups, who appeared in widely televised "perp walks" in the first weeks of the disaster, when fury was at its highest.

"People say this is a public opinion trial. To put it in other words, it is a witch trial," said Kang Jung-min, a lawyer who met the captain and two crew of the Sewol while they were in custody in April. "It is possible that rulings would correspond with public sentiment, rather than judgments based on objective facts and legal principles."

Kang cited early media reports about the captain and crewmembers that rendered them as evil. For example, South Korean media reported that the captain was drying his money at the hospital while passengers were still trapped in the ship, which Kang said the captain denied.

The court will guarantee the rights of both the defendants and the victims and faithfully investigate evidence for a speedy and fair trial, the Gwangju District Court said in a statement.

## Thai protesters come out again despite junta's ban

BANGKOK (AP)—Thailand's ruling junta deployed thousands of security forces on the streets of Bangkok on Sunday to thwart another round of small-scale protests denouncing last month's military coup. Hundreds of demonstrators came out and several were detained, but there was no violence.

Fears over possible unrest, however, prompted a major downtown shopping mall to close and authorities temporarily shut down several subway and elevated train stations near where protests could have materialized.

Thailand has been calm since the army overthrew the nation's elected government on May 22, saying it had to restore order after seven months of demonstrations that had triggered sporadic violence and left the country's political rivals in a stalemate.

But the junta that took power has launched a major campaign to suppress dissent, summoning politicians, journalists and academics—the majority of them perceived as being critical of

Since the coup, small groups of pro-democracy protesters have come out nearly every day, marching through Bangkok and sometimes scuffling with soldiers. No injuries have been reported so far.

The junta has issued stern warnings calling on the demonstrators to stop because it sees their actions as destabilizing, but it has not employed force to stop them. On Sunday, authorities said about 5,700 soldiers and police were deployed at key intersections in Bangkok to stop demonstrators from massing. The protesters say they should have the right to express themselves freely.

## ASIA BRIEFS

### Suspects confess in rape, slaying of 2 India teens

LUCKNOW, India (AP)—Three men have confessed to the gang rape and slaying of two teenage girls who were found hanging from a tree in northern India, police said Sunday, in a case that has recast a light on rampant sexual violence in the country. Authorities continued to search for two additional suspects in last week's attack on the 14- and 15-year-old cousins in Uttar Pradesh state, police officer Atul Saxena said. The girls, from an impoverished family with no toilets in their home in the tiny village of Katra, about 300 kilometers (180 miles) from Lucknow, the state capital, disappeared Tuesday night after going into fields to relieve themselves.

### **Hong Kong holds march** to remember Tiananmen

HONG KONG (AP)—Thousands of people marched through downtown Hong Kong on Sunday to remember the bloody crackdown on the Tiananmen Square protests in Beijing, days before the 25th anniversary of the tumul-

tuous event. The demonstrators marched from a large park to Hong Kong government headquarters, while a separate group continued on to the Chinese central government's liaison office. They renewed their long-standing demand for China's Communist Party to overturn its official verdict that the protests that ended in bloodshed on the night of June 4, 1989, were a "counterrevolutionary riot."

## 7 die in Cambodia after looking for money in well

PHNOM PENH, Cambodia (AP)—Seven people died from a lack of oxygen after climbing down a well in Cambodia to retrieve about 75 cents, police and relatives said Sunday. The incident happened late Saturday in a remote area of the northwestern province of Siem Reap when an 11-year-old boy and six other people went into the well to collect 3,000 riel (75 cents). The boy's older sister, Che Chhan, said their father had accidentally dropped the money when taking water. She said her 13-year-old sister and 15-year-old brother also died, as well as four of her neighbors.

## World

## Suspect in Jewish museum killings went to Syria

PARIS (AP)—A suspected French jihadist who spent time in Syria has been arrested over the shooting deaths of three people at a Belgian Jewish museum, prosecutors said Sunday, crystalizing fears that European radicals will parlay their experiences in Syria into terrorism back home.

When Mehdi Nemmouche was arrested in southern France on Friday, he was in possession of firearms, a large quantity of ammunition and a video claiming responsibility for the May 24 attack at the Jewish Museum in Brussels, a Belgian prosecutor said.

In a one-minute rampage that deeply shook Europe's Jewish community, a gunman opened fire at the Brussels museum. In addition to the fatalities, another person was gravely wounded.

Authorities raised anti-terror alert levels as they searched for the attacker. But it was ultimately a customs inspection in the French port city of Marseille that turned up Nemmouche, as he disembarked from a bus coming from Amsterdam, Paris prosecutor Francois Molins said.

The suspect had a revolver and a retractable automatic weapon like those used in the Brussels attack, and ballistics analyses were underway to determine if they were the same weapons, Molins said.

At least one of the weapons was wrapped up in a white sheet



In this hand out file photo distributed on Sunday, May 25, 2014 by the Belgian Federal Police, a surveillance camera shows a man shooting at the Jewish museum in Brussels, Belgium, on Saturday, May 24, 2014.

Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant, an extremist group fighting in Syria, Molins said. The group has also waged attacks in Iraq.

Nemmouche, a French-born 29-year-old from the northern city of Roubaix, had a criminal record, with seven convictions for crimes like attempted robbery—but nothing related to terrorism, Molins said.

He said the suspect became radicalized in prison, and left for Syria just three weeks after his last prison stay in late 2012, go-

scrawled with the name of the ing to Syria via Brussels, London and Istanbul. He said the suspect had spent about a year in Syria, though it is unclear why he went and what he did while there.

A video found in the suspect's possession shows weapons and clothes akin to the gunman's, and includes a voice claiming responsibility for the "attack in Brussels against Jews," Belgian federal prosecutor Frederic Van Leeuw said. He said it wasn't certain whether the voice was that of the suspect.

## Poles reflect on life before and after 1989

WARSAW, Poland (AP)— When communist Poland held its first partly free elections a quarter century ago, Cezary and Alicja Wasowski—expecting their second son—held hopes for modest improvements in their lives but not much more.

By the time little Michal was born three months later, it was clear they would be bringing up their son in world vastly different from the one they knew: Poland had just elected its first democratic prime minister in decades and the Soviet system was crumbling before their eyes.

Today, Cezary, Alicja and Mi-

chal travel freely abroad, read books once banned by censors and express views that reveal surprising generational differences—itself a triumph of democracy. The family spoke to The Associated Press as Poland prepares to celebrate the 25th anniversary of the historic vote on Wednesday, with President Barack Obama and other world leaders gathering in Warsaw to celebrate the democracy that began at the ballot box in Poland and spread throughout Eastern Europe.

"We knew that something was changing but we couldn't imagine the scale of the changes at first," said Cezary Wasowski, 56. "Then events happened so fast. They were truly revolutionary changes.'

Like many Poles, he and Alicja have seen their lives improve in many ways. A state that once produced everything "from tanks to condoms," as Cezary put it, has opened up a huge sphere for private entrepreneurship, making his own rise possible as the head of a private engineering firm. His wife no longer spends endless hours in communist-era bread lines. Boundless plenty beckons from shops on every corner.

## **WORLD BRIEFS**

### **Insurgents attack border** guards in eastern Ukraine

MOSCOW (AP)—Ukraine's border guard service says a number of servicemen have been injured in an insurgent attack on their camp in eastern Ukraine. The officials said in a statement Monday that some 100 armed insurgents attacked the border guards' camp in Luhansk, a major eastern Ukrainian city not far from the Russian border, in the early hours. Border guards responded with fire on the attackers whose numbers swelled to 400 a few hours later. The fighting was still ongoing, the border guard service said. The conflict between Ukrainian government forces and pro-Russian insurgents in eastern Ukraine escalated markedly in the last week, with rebels' attempting to seize a major airport Monday and the shooting down of a Ukrainian military helicopter.

### 3 Catholic missionaries freed in Cameroon

ROME (AP)—Two Italian priests and a Canadian nun have been freed two months after they were abducted in northern Cameroon by armed groups, the Vatican and the Italy's Foreign Ministry said Sunday. Gianantonio Allegri, Giampaolo Marta and Gilberte Bussier were kidnapped April 5. The Italian Foreign Ministry thanked Canadian and Cameroon authorities, but didn't say where or when the abduction ended. At the time of the abductions, Vatican Radio said it wasn't ruled out that Boko Haram, an extremist Islamic group, might have been behind their kidnappings. Vatican spokesman the Rev. Federico Lombardi said Pope Francis had followed the case from the beginning.

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## Focus

## Security matrix prevents another Tiananmen

By CHRISTOPHER BODEEN

ASSOCIATED PRESS

**BEIJING** (AP)—When visiting friends in China's capital, environmental activist Wu Lihong must slip away from his rural home before sunrise, before the police officers watching his home awaken. He rides a bus to an adjacent province and jumps aboard a train just minutes before departure to avoid being spotted.

In a neighboring province, veteran dissident Yin Weihong finds himself hauled into a police station merely for keeping in touch with old friends from the 1989 Tiananmen Square pro-democracy movement. While he's technically a free man, the treatment makes it virtually impossible to keep a job or have a normal home life.

A quarter century after the movement's suppression, China's communist authorities oversee a raft of measures for muzzling dissent and preventing protests. They range from sophisticated—extensive monitoring of online debate and control over media—to the relatively simple—routine harassment of government critics

and maintenance of a massive domestic security force.

The system has proven hugely successful: No major opposition movement has gotten even a hint of traction in the 25 years since Tiananmen. President and Communist Party leader Xi Jinping seems intent on ensuring things stay that way.

"It's extremely bad right now, much worse than in past years,' said Yin, who spent several months in prison for his role as a student leader during the 1989 protests. "There's less and less space for civil society or, if you're like me, even to just live your life freely."

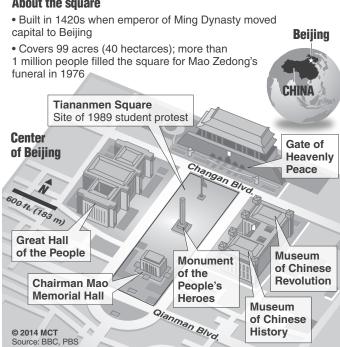
Each year's anniversary brings a crackdown on dissent, but this year has been especially harsh, say dissidents and human rights groups. Lawyers and others taking part in even minor private commemorations have been detained. Outspoken relatives of those killed in the crackdown have been forced out of Beijing.

Journalists, including those in the foreign media, have been issued stern orders not to report on unspecified sensitive topics around the June 4 anniversary, with warnings of dire consequences.

## **Tiananmen Square**

On June 4, 1989, several hundred civilians were killed by the Chinese army as its troops crushed a democratic protest.

### **About the square**



"We are seeing a crackdown very large in scope," said William Nee, Amnesty International's Hong Kong-based China researcher. "What we have seen thus far under the Xi Jinping government hasn't

been very good."

Caught unaware and unprepared by the Tiananmen protests, China now anticipates, detects and chokes off political and social activism before it can challenge authorities. Despite a huge rise in prosperity and vast social changes, political activism and organization outside the control of the ruling Communist Party is strictly verboten.

"The authorities are very careful to nip any potential dissent in the bud at the local level, the focus being on ensuring they can't link up and become a nationwide movement," said Human Rights Watch Asia researcher Maya Wang.

Yin said China's rights conditions have deteriorated since party stalwart Xi Jinping's appointment as general secretary in late 2012. While going after corrupt officials, Xi has demanded strict ideological orthodoxy and pushed a campaign to denigrate liberal values such as Western-style constitutional democracy and the independence of the media.

Government critics and public intellectuals face ever-moreintrusive harassment, Yin said. Liu Xia, the wife of imprisoned Nobel Peace Prize winner Liu Xiaobo, is under house arrest and constant supervision. An unknown number of others can leave home or work only with permission.

Some veteran activists say the room for independent organization is tighter than it was in 1989. A limited number of nominally non-governmental organizations are permitted, but they operate only at the pleasure of the authorities and must confine themselves to non-political issues such as environmentalism, child welfare and workers rights.

"It's OK to hold lectures and conferences, at least in principle, but you can't really conduct research and seriously delve into the topics," said Wu, an environmental activist from the eastern city of Wuxi who has endured more than a decade of harassment, including a three-year prison sentence on fraud charges he says were trumped up.

Some degree of labor activism has been permitted, especially in the southern industrial heartland of Guangdong province, but the only legal unions remain under tight government control and strikes are extremely rare.

Independent workers' rights activists are under constant scrutiny. Anita Chan, a China labor expert at Australia National University, said police are more frequently calling the activists in to "drink tea"—a form of low-level intimidation.

And while religious activity is permitted under the auspices of party-controlled bodies, crackdowns have escalated against independent groups such as Protestant "house churches." In Zhejiang province alone, 64 churches were demolished, had their crosses removed or were threatened, according to Bob Fu, a former dissident and underground church pastor now based in Texas.

Meanwhile, the state has developed increasingly sophisticated mechanisms of surveillance and censorship, taking advantage of technological improvements and a huge boost in domestic security spending. An army of young, computer-savvy censors checks social media and websites and removes content on sensitive topics.

Users of social media such as the hugely popular microblogging and instant messaging applications Weibo and QQ must be registered and identified.

Many foreign websites are blocked, including news outlets and Twitter, Facebook and You-Tube. Those who care to make the effort can find technological workarounds, such as virtual private networks, but most Chinese appear content with the Internet that the government allows.

The government has come down hard on some outspoken online opinion leaders, detaining many for so-called rumor mongering, including a wellknown liberal commentator, Chinese-American investor Charles Xue.

Wang, of Human Rights Watch, said the government is trying to compel people to censor themselves.

"It's so that when people go about their business, they already consider the potential risks and make sure they don't even get close to the red lines,' Wang said.

Another standard control method is to restrict travel. Many critics of the government, including Wu and Yin, have been denied passports—both as a punitive measure and a means to keep them from addressing foreign audiences about China's problems.

And while Wu can use some ingenuity to visit his friends in Beijing, he said, "As soon as they find I'm gone, they send officers to bring me back. You try to adapt, but it takes a real toll on your family and on you psychologically."

Shortly after The Associated Press interviewed him, Wu was taken from a friend's home and interrogated for 24 hours straight.

Despite these efforts, China sees what many of what it calls "mass incidents" threatening social stability. One Chinese sociologist, Sun Liping, has estimated there are about 180,000 per year, ranging from organized marches to spontaneous protests and even violence sparked by anger over working conditions, corruption, environmental degradation and ethnic unrest.

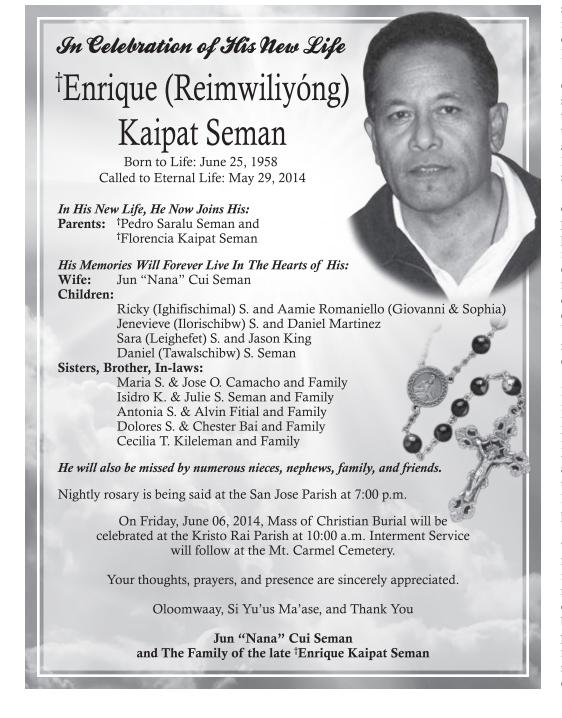
A premium is placed on quickly containing and dissolving such incidents, unlike in 1989, when protests were allowed to build up over more than a month.

The government also has focused heavily on avoiding military force such as the tanks and troops that tore their way through citizen barricades to the heart of the protests in Tiananmen Square, leaving hundreds, possibly thousands dead.

Instead, the government has vastly expanded its domestic security apparatus. Much of the effort has gone into improved training and equipment for the 1.5 million-member paramilitary People's Armed Police, the Chinese interior security force. Grassroots-level officials and public security department heads have undergone training in responding to unrest.

Meanwhile, the party has tackled many of the major contributing causes of the 1989 protests, devoting funds and attention to fighting corruption, boosting employment and housing and even holding down pork prices. That has eliminated many sources of discontent. though many Chinese remain deeply cynical about corruption among the newly rich and political elites.

"They realize that economic growth is not enough, so the whole strategy is to avoid cases of large-scale unrest through an entire social security package," said Joseph Cheng.



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## Overdrive

## Look, Ma, no hands: Google to test 200 self-driving cars

By DAVID UNDERCOFFLER LOS ANGELES TIMES

One of the world's largest technology companies is getting into the car business—and hoping to turn drivers into passengers. Google announced on its blog Tuesday that it plans to test about 200 of its own two-seat toward improving road safety self-driving cars.

"We've been working toward the goal of vehicles that can shoulder the entire burden of driving," the company wrote. "They will take you where you want to go at the push of a button. And that's an important step and transforming mobility for millions of people.'

The main goal of the tidy, gumdrop-shaped cars isn't to push Google into the business of building cars. Instead, the company wants to develop self-driving software that will "improve road safety and help people who can't drive."

The testing program will start later this summer, with a handful of primitive prototypes hitting the roads around Google's Mountain View headquarters.

These early builds will have public roads—with a permit manual controls for the test drivers to override the cars' autonomous driving systems, as required by current California law.

But Google plans to build the bulk of the cars as fully autonomous-no steering wheel, no gas or brake pedal.

Inside will be a pair of seats with seat belts, space for your belongings, buttons to start and stop, and a screen showing where the car is going. California law is expected to allow the operation of such vehicles on

by the end of this year.

The cars were built with safety in mind. They have sensors that eliminate blind spots and look in every direction for more than 200 yards. The top speed of the first vehicles will be limited to 25 mph.

"We're going to learn a lot from this experience, and if the technology develops as we hope, we'll work with partners to bring this technology into the world safely," Google said on its blog.

The small electric cars were

built in Michigan using parts from suppliers to mainstream brands. The electronics and software to control them were assembled in Silicon Valley.

But don't expect Google to take on the automakers directly.

"The chances of them getting into manufacturing are slim," said Bill Hampton, publisher of AutoBeat Group. "I don't think they want to do that. They want to control the information that will allow driverless cars to operate. ... Figuring that out is worth a lot of money.'

Other analysts agreed.

## **MOTORING Q&A**

## Where there's white smoke...

By PAUL BRAND

uestion: I own a 2003 Honda Accord. In April a large amount of white smoke came out of the front of the car when I started it. It has happened three more times, coming from the rear of the car. Three times the engine was cold, once warm. The Honda dealer found nothing but told me to keep track of these instances. Nothing has leaked on the garage floor.

**Answer:** White smoke from an automobile can be caused by three things: condensing moisture, heated coolant and vaporized fuel. In your case I'd be suspicious of an external coolant leak that collects on some part of the exhaust system and is heated into smoke as the exhaust system heats up, leaving no evidence on the garage floor.

Do you smell the semi-sweet odor of antifreeze/coolant? Before you start the cold engine next time, open the hood and visually inspect for any coolant in the engine compartment. Make sure you are monitoring the coolant level in the radiator/reservoir.

If the white smoke is exclusively from the exhaust pipe, a leaking cylinder head gasket would be a suspect. In this case the coolant would end up being heated in the combustion chambers and blown out the exhaust as the engine starts.

White smoke from the exhaust on a cold morning start is normal condensation of moisture that has collected in the exhaust system overnight, and is of no concern.

White smoke from vaporized but unburned fuel—unlikely in this case—can be caused by a failed or stuck fuel injector allowing raw fuel to be carried through and vaporized in the exhaust system as it is heated.

Q: My 2011 Subaru is squeaking so loudly I'm ready to tear my hair out! It started on the driver's side just behind the driver's seat, moved to under the driver's seat near the middle, and then under the console. All three areas are squeaking! It's been on a lift and nothing that can be seen is an issue, according to the mechanic. A body shop owner with 40 years' experience found that the back of the rear seat hadn't been put in place properly and the spare tire was not tightened down securely. The noise lessened but is still a major nuisance.

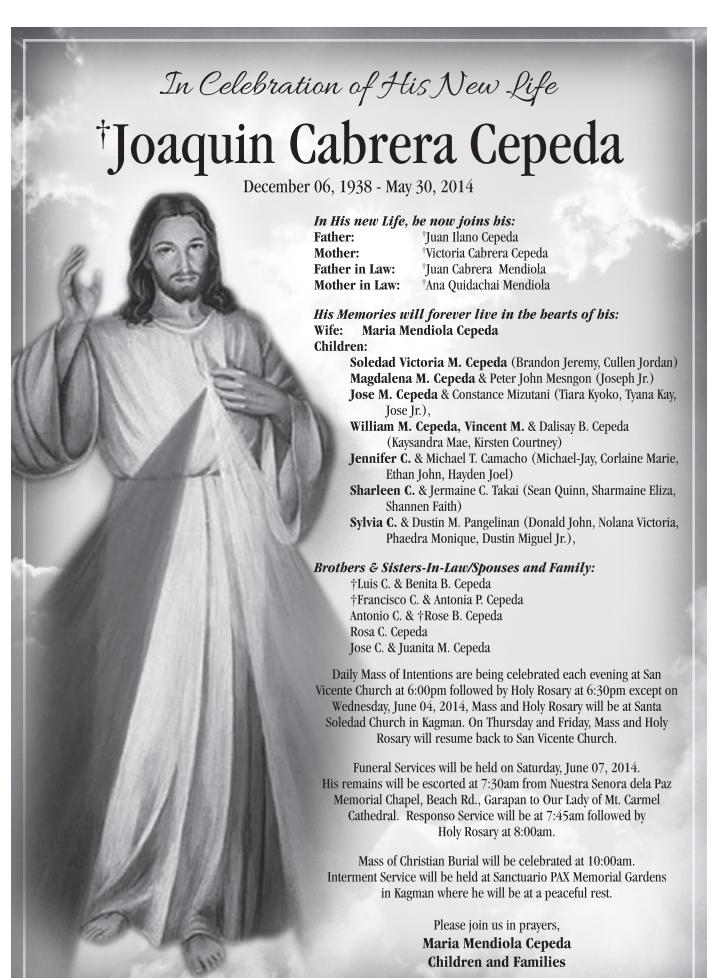
A: The most common causes of body squeaks and rattles are something flexing or something loose. The entire exhaust system and its hangers should be inspected for evidence of flexing, movement or contact. Next, all engine, transmission and driveshaft mounts should be checked.

If the squeaking is rhythmical and varies with engine or road speed, the noise may be coming from the transmission or driveshaft CV joints. Subaru issued a service bulletin addressing a highpitched sound originating in the transmission extension housing. Thermal expansion can potentially damage a pre-loaded bearing,

Q: I have a 2007 Dodge Caravan with the automatic door lock feature. When I drive in the rain, the locks start locking and unlocking rapidly for 60-90 seconds then quit for a while, then do it again. This continues even after removing the key but quits after being parked for a while. I tried to disable the auto lock, using the instructions in the manual, but was unsuccessful. There is no separate fuse that controls this. Any thoughts?

**A:** Water/moisture is grounding the electrical circuit that operates the locks. A scan tool should be able to identify specific fault codes with the power door lock system, but you could try "watering" each window for a minute or so, one at a time, with a garden hose. Water may be getting by the window seals, running down the inside of a door and grounding the circuit, causing the rapid cycling of the locks. This may help you pinpoint which door or cylinder lock switch or connector is getting wet.

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## Life & Style

## Jamaica literary festival draws top-flight authors

By DAVID McFADDEN

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### TREASURE BEACH, Jamai-

ca (AP)—Best-selling authors take to a seaside stage, bottles of Red Stripe beer in hand. Budding writers line up to read their works to a big, appreciative audience. Book-loving islanders and tourists mingle with literary luminaries as the sun sets over the Caribbean Sea.

It's the Calabash International Literary Festival—Jamaica's unique, spirited take on the world of literary gatherings, and the biennial event held over the weekend has been getting bigger at each staging.

Since 2001, the tiny, laidback beach town of Treasure Beach in arid southern Jamaica has hosted the festival, attracting Nobel laureates and a slew of other acclaimed writers. From modest beginnings, Calabash has grown into a major international literary event.

One of its three founders, Jamaican novelist Colin Channer, described the three-day celebration of writing as the "greatest little festival in the greatest little district in the greatest little country in the world."



Acclaimed novelist Salman Rushdie is shown on a stage discussing his life and work for an appreciate audience of book-loving Jamaicans and tourists in Treasure Beach, Jamaica, Saturday, May 31, 2014.

This year, authors Salman Rushdie, Zadie Smith and Jamaica Kincaid were among the novelists and poets participating in readings and themed discussions in between reggae- and rap-fueled celebrations and beachside socializing. The festival, free of charge and open to anyone, started Friday and ran through Sunday evening.

Kincaid, an Antigua-born novelist and essayist, said the festival has given the people of the Caribbean a top-flight literary event in a part of the world where storytelling and creativity with language has always been prized.

"Among all the other things we do, black people also make literature. We are very imaginative, literate people. The problem has always been access. That's why this event is so inspiring," she said by the saltwater pool at Jake's Hotel, a collection of funky, colorful cottages that hosts the celebration every two years.

Rushdie said Calabash has steadily earned a name as a festival of choice for some of the world's most gifted authors.

"It is an extraordinary event. The audience is big, extremely appreciative, very focused. And the setting is spectacular," he told The Associated Press on Sunday, a day after he took to the stage to discuss his writings in front of an eager audience of a few thousand people.

Rushdie's works include the Booker Prize-winning "Midnight's Children" and the bestselling "The Satanic Verses," which some Muslims consider blasphemous. A fatwa, or Islamic edict, was issued against Rushdie in 1989 by Iran's late revolutionary leader, Ayatollah Ruhollah Khomeini, which forced Rushdie into hiding under British police protection for years.

Just two years ago, an Indian literary festival canceled a video conference with Rushdie after threats of violence. But in Jamaica, the author strolled around freely and chatted with fans.

It's the easygoing, accessible vibe of Calabash that entices some of the world's biggest authors to come without their normal speaking fees, said Kwame Dawes, a Jamaican poet who co-founded the festival with Channer and filmmaker Justine Henzell. He said Calabash does

not pay participating writers, but provides their airfare and accommodation.

'This is a free festival and it's open to everybody. And I think the writers share that very progressive spirit," Dawes said.

The success of Calabash has fostered a more lively literary scene within the Caribbean. inspiring the creation of literary festivals on other islands, among them Trinidad and Tobago's NGC Bocas Lit Fest 2011 and Barbados' annual Bim Literary Festival and Book Fair that began in 2012.

Alison Donnell, an English professor at England's University of Reading who co-edited the 2011 "Companion to Anglophone Caribbean Literature," said many literary gatherings can often seem to be the products of a culturally homogenized repertoire of ticketed good taste, but Calabash and the other Caribbean gatherings are free and fun.

"Yet they are also feverishly important to a regional literary culture that has suffered from decades of the familiar idea that Caribbean writing comes to maturity" abroad in such major cities as New York, London and Toronto, Donnell said by email.

## 'Brady Bunch' actress Ann B. Davis dies in Texas

By LYNN ELBER

AP TELEVISION WRITER

Emmy-winning actress Ann B. Davis, who became the country's favorite and most famous housekeeper as the devoted Alice Nelson of "The Brady Bunch," died Sunday at a San Antonio hospital. She was 88.

Bexar County, Texas, medical examiner's investigator Sara Horne said Davis died Sunday morning at University Hospital. Horne said no cause of death was available and that an autopsy was planned Monday.

Bill Frey, a retired bishop and a longtime friend of Davis, said she suffered a fall Saturday at her San Antonio home and never recovered. Frey said Davis had lived with him and his wife, Barbara, since 1976.

More than a decade before scoring as the Bradys' loyal Alice, Davis was the razortongued secretary on another stalwart TV sitcom, "The Bob Cummings Show," which brought her two Emmys. Over the years, she also appeared on Broadway and in occasional movies.

Davis considered her ordinary look an asset.

"I know at least a couple hundred glamour gals who are starving in this town," she told the Los Angeles

Times in 1955, the year the Cummings show began its four-year run. "I'd rather be myself and eating."

She said she told NBC photographers not to retouch their pictures of her, but they ignored her request and "gave me eyebrows."

Producer Sherwood "The Brady Schwartz's Bunch" debuted in 1969 and aired for five years. But like Schwartz's other hit, "Gilligan's Island," it has lived on in reruns and sequels.

As "The Brady Bunch" theme song reminded viewers each week, the Bradys combined two families into one. Florence Henderson played a widow raising three daughters when she met her TV husband, Robert Reed, a widower with three boys.

In her blue and white maid's uniform, Davis' character, Alice Nelson, was constantly cleaning up messes large and small, and she was a mainstay of stability for the family.

"I think I'm lovable. That's the gift God gave me," Davis told The Associated Press in a 1993 interview. "I don't do anything to be lovable. I have no control."

Davis' face occupied the center square during the show's opening credits. Her love interest was Sam the Butcher, played by Allan Melvin.

## 'Maleficent' spooks box office with \$70M debut NEW YORK (AP)—The biggest box-office debut of An-

gelina Jolie's career propelled Disney's twisted fairy tale "Maleficent" to a scary-good \$70 million opening.

The PG-rated fantasy beat forecasts to easily top all films over the weekend, according to studio estimates Sunday. Though "Maleficent" was early on considered a risky endeavor for Disney that might turn away family audiences by retelling "Sleeping Beauty" from the villain's perspective, the film emerged as a hit largely because of the draw of Jolie.

Star power has been increasingly elusive in modern Hollywood, where name-brand concepts often rule the box-office. But Jolie, in her first live-action starring role in years, drove interest for "Maleficent" despite lackluster reviews from critics.

"It's a unique thing," said Dave Hollis, head of distribution for Disney. "Her star power transcends borders and genre."

Seth MacFarlane's Western comedy "A Million Ways to Die in the West" was out-gunned by "Maleficent." The R-rated Universal release opened in third place with a tepid \$17.1 million despite a starry cast of Liam Neeson, Charlize Theron and Amanda Seyfried. By contrast, MacFarlane's "Ted" (for which he's making a sequel) opened with \$54.4 million in 2012.

Last weekend's top film,



This photo released by Disney shows Angelina Jolie in a scene from the film, "Maleficent."

"Maleficent," \$70 million, (\$100.6 million international).
"X-Men: Days of Future

- Past," \$32.6 million (\$95.6 million international).
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- (\$15 million international). "Blended," \$8.4 million. "Neighbors," \$7.7 million (\$7.6 million international). "The Amazing Spider-Man 2," \$3.8 million (\$4.1 mil-
- lion international). "Million Dollar Arm," \$3.7 million.
- "Chef," \$2 million.
  "The Other Woman," \$1.4 million.

Fox's big-budget mutant sequel "X-Men: Days of Future Past," dropped to second with \$32.6 million. It's a somewhat steep

decline for "Days of Future Past," but the film made \$95.6 million internationally in its second week, good enough to push its global cumulative total past \$500 million already.

But "Maleficent" dominated the marketplace, which has seen female-leading films continually challenge the much-disputed but still prevalent notion that male stars fuel the box office.

"The whole movie kind of rises and sets on her performance," said Paul Dergarabedian, senior analyst for box-office tracker Rentrak. "The concept is the character. The character is completely linked to the person playing that role."

The film was a balancing act for Disney, which is used to churning out brighter tales. Hollis credited the company's marketing department for "walking the fine line" of selling the

movie to families (which made up 45 percent of the audience, according to Disney) and suggesting an edginess that would appeal to a broader audience. "Maleficent" earned about \$100 million internationally.

"If you go to Disney, the longest lines are for the scariest rides," Dergarabedian said. "We're going to see more of this, where the villains are the new heroes."

Disney has had success reimagining fairy tales in recent years with "Alice in Wonderland" (\$116 million in 2010) and "Oz the Great and Powerful" (\$79.1 million debut in 2013). "Maleficent" fell short of those releases, but it was made in the same lineage. Robert Stromberg, the production designer for both earlier movies, makes his directorial debut with "Maleficent."

Next weekend will bring a battle between Shailene Woodley in the young adult novel adaptation "The Fault in Our Stars" and Tom Cruise in the sci-fi thriller "Edge of Tomorrow." "Edge of Tomorrow" got a jump on its North America release, taking in \$20 million in 28 countries over the weekend.

Estimated ticket sales for Friday through Sunday at U.S. and Canadian theaters, according to Rentrak. Where available, latest international numbers are also included. Final domestic figures will be released on Monday.

## Justin Bieber apologizes for racial slur joke

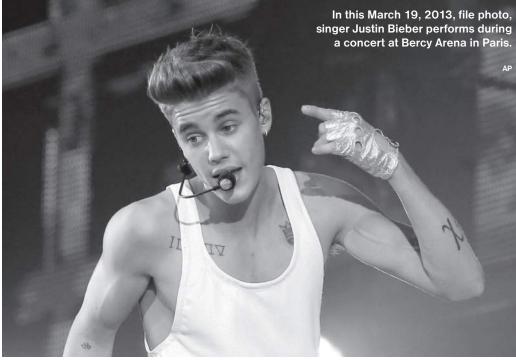
Bieber is apologizing after a years-old video surfaced showing the then-teenager telling a racist joke with the N-word.

In a statement Sunday to The Associated Press, Bieber said when he was a kid he didn't realize how certain words could hurt. He says he learned from his mistakes and apologized for them, and now is apologizing again because they have become public.

"I'm very sorry," Bieber said. "I take all my friendships with people of all cultures very seriously and I apologize for offending or hurting anyone with my childish and inexcusable behavior."

The British tabloid The Sun first published the video, which is five years old. In it, a then 15-year-old Bieber tells a joke about black people that has the racial epithet as the punchline. Before he says it, someone warns him not to-but he says it anyway amid laughter.

"I thought it was OK to repeat hurtful words and jokes, but I didn't realize at the time that it wasn't funny and that in fact offended."



my actions were continuing the ignorance," the statement said. "Thanks to friends and family I learned from my mistakes and grew up and apologized for those wrongs. Now that these mistakes from the past have become public I need to apologize again to all of those who I have

It's the latest controversy for Bieber, who over the past couple of years has dealt with brushes with the law and other problems that have dealt a blow to his once wholesome image. The video was taken when Bieber was just emerging as a pop sensation.

In his statement, Bieber said

that "ignorance has no place in our society and I hope the sharing of my faults can prevent

what I wanted to say but telling the truth is always what's right."

He ends the statement by saying "Once again ... I'm sorry."

## others from making the same mistake in the future. "I thought long and hard about

His condition is not known, but Kerri Kasem said in court Friday that her father is suffering from bedsores and lung

old entertainer went.

PORT ORCHARD, Wash. also has said her father has a form of dementia.

Amid an ongoing dispute between Kerri Kasem and her stepmother, Jean Kasem, a Kitsap County judge ruled Friday that Kerri Kasem could have a doctor of her choosing examine her father.

The Kitsap County Sheriff's Office has said appropriate medical care has been provided.

A message left for Jean Kasem's representative wasn't immediately returned.

Casey Kasem and his wife have been staying with friends west of Seattle.

## Car, jewelry taken in burglary of Miley Cyrus home

LOS ANGELES (AP)—Los Angeles police are searching for a pair of burglars they say broke into Miley Cyrus' San Fernando Valley home and got away with jewelry and a luxury car.

The LAPD says officers from the department's North Hollywood station responded to a report of a burglary Friday at

They say a man and a woman scaled a fence and got inside the house and garage while no one was home.

A 2014 Maserati luxury sedan and an unspecified amount of jewelry were

Police asked Sunday that anyone with information about the crime call North Hollywood's burglary detectives.

Last month the 21-year-old pop star obtained a temporary restraining order against an Arizona man who was detained by police while trying to meet her.



## Charity: 500 allegations against Jimmy Savile

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SANTA FE, N.M. (AP)—Shir-

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Mexico School for the Arts' first

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The Santa Fe New Mexican

reports the Oscar-winning ac-

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(AP)—A spokesman for Casey

Kasem's daughter says the ailing radio personality has been taken by

ambulance to a hospital or medical

Danny Deraney told The As-

sociated Press that Kerri Kasem

accompanied her father when

an ambulance took him Sunday

afternoon to receive care. He

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LONDON (AP)—A British children's charity says at least 500 people have reported abuse by the late entertainer Jimmy Savile, with the youngest alleged victim just 2 years old.

The National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children said Monday that the most common age group for victims was 13 to 15.

Peter Watt, the charity's director of child protection, said Savile was a "prolific sex offender .. (who) lost no opportunity to identify vulnerable victims and abuse them."

The cigar-chomping, plati-

num-haired Savile was a British television fixture for several decades, but after his death at 84 in 2011, witnesses and victims came forward to accuse him of sexual abuse. Police have since described the television and radio presenter as a serial sexual predator who used his fame to target young and mostly female victims, from star-struck teens at television recordings to patients in hospital beds.

A police investigation concluded last year that Savile's abuse spanned half a century and included at least 214 offenses, most against victims under 18.

## Think twice before confronting drivers in handicapped spots

**DEAR ABBY:** I suffered a serious accident at work and have endured numerous surgeries, with another on the horizon. Because the injuries are in the cervical and lumbar areas, they are not visible.

Last week I parked my car in a handicapped spot in the supermarket parking lot. Having a proper tag on my license plate, I didn't think twice about it. As I entered the store, a woman who had parked nearby started shouting at me, saying I shouldn't have parked where I did. I indicated

she should read my plate, to which she then replied that I was "phony" for taking advantage of the system. I imagine she thought this because I was walking unaided that day.

Abby, please inform your readers that not all injuries are visible and not to assume that someone is taking advantage because he or she doesn't meet your expectations of how a disabled person "should" appear.

HURTING IN NORTHERN CALIFORNIA

DEAR HURTING: Gladly. This subject has appeared in my column before. You are correct that not all disabilities are visible. One that comes to mind would be a heart problem that prevents a patient from walking long distances. Another would be multiple sclerosis.

Readers, if you are concerned that someone is gaming the system, rather than confront the person, write down the license number of the car with the handicap plate and inform the Department of Motor Vehicles. If you are correct, the authorities will be interested in that information. And if you are not, you won't have caused someone who already has problems additional distress.

**DEAR ABBY:** I have been married to "Gilbert" for more than 30 years. We have always managed to resolve our differences in a relatively short time, but this time I'm not too sure.

Our son was married last weekend, and because we're of Celtic heritage, I chose to wear a beautiful dress from Ireland. Because it has short sleeves I brought a shawl to keep warm. When I asked my husband why he never said I looked nice, he replied he didn't know whether I looked nice because he "couldn't see me under that damned blanket!"

I was stunned. I wore the shawl only when I was near the door because it was cold there. I danced with him and several others many times and didn't have it on then. I must have told Gil at least 20 times how handsome he looked, and so did everyone else. The shawl may have been a little big on me because I am only 5 feet tall and weigh 95 pounds. But I didn't think I looked hideous.

I'm hurt over his remark, and we haven't really spoken for several days. What can I do to get past this awful feeling that we're going in opposite directions?

OFFENDED IN THE EAST

DEAR OFFENDED: A good beginning would be to ask your husband why he made such a mean-spirited remark. He owes you an apology for his tactlessness. If he really hadn't thought you were dressed appropriately for your son's wedding, he should have mentioned it BEFORE you left the house so you could change if you wished. Slamming you afterward wasn't helpful, and your hurt feelings are understandable. But unless you have other reasons for worrying that you might be headed "in opposite directions," don't let this be blown out of proportion.

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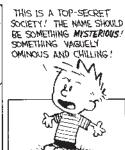
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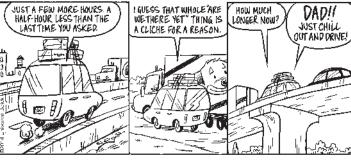
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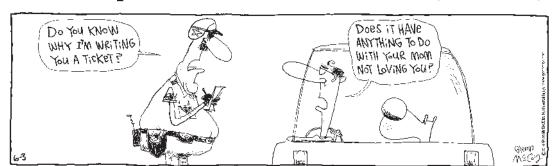
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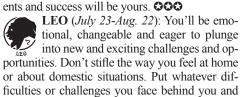
Happy Birthday: Take action and make your dreams come true. Do your own thing, but research every angle to avoid mistakes. Sticking to your budget and staying on top of your set deadline will determine how successful you will become. Alter your plans according to the way you feel and the situations you face. Your charm will help you get what you want. Your numbers are 6, 17, 20, 24, 32, 35, 46.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Turn whatever you do into a social event. Mix and mingle with your peers and you will find out valuable information that will help you make wise choices. A last-minute change must not be allowed to disrupt your plans.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Refrain from sharing personal information. It's best to gather information and make assessments for the time being. Someone isn't likely to honor a promise made. Take care of your responsibilities early in the day, leaving time to explore new opportunities.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Listen attentively, but be careful when it comes to sharing the information you've been given. A false sense of security is apparent and must not be allowed to cloud your vision when it comes to work, money and your financial status. ••••

CANCER (June 21-July 22): Change based on the way you feel intuitively will lead to a better position. Check out the job market or the possibility of starting your own small business. Find unique ways to use your tal-



keep moving. OOO VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Live and learn. Gather information and experiment with new people, places and projects. Don't feel the need to make a decision prematurely. It's important to understand the process that will lead you to different outcomes before

you proceed. Romance is highlighted. ••• LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You will capture attention, but not everyone listening will be an easy sell. Spend more time honing your skills and perfecting your presentation. Someone will point out mistakes if you leave any room for criticism.

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estate will work in your favor. Don't just talk about your plans; turn them into a reality. CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Don't

feel pressured to get everything done and out of the way. Slow down and do whatever needs to be done carefully so you don't have to do it over. Don't let the changes going on around you cause uncertainty.

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By Dave Green

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## Red Sox win 7th straight, beat Rays, 4-0

BOSTON (AP)—Jon Lester pitched seven shutout innings and Brock Holt drove in two runs with one of his four doubles to lift the Red Sox to their seventh straight win, completing a three-game sweep over the reeling Rays.

Boston's streak follows a 10-game skid, its longest in 20 years. The Red Sox said that matches a major league record for consecutive wins after a double-digit losing stretch, according to research by the Elias Sports Bureau.

The 1989 Detroit Tigers did it after losing 12 in a row, and the 1942 Pittsburgh Pirates also did it after dropping 10 straight.

Holt had his big day after hitting his first major league homer in Saturday night's win. Garin Cecchini added an RBI double for his first major league hit.

Evan Longoria had a pair of singles for the Rays, who dropped their season-high sixth straight. Tampa Bay owns the AL's worst record at 23-34.

### **Indians 6, Rockies 4**

In Cleveland, Michael Bourn's tworun homer in the ninth inning gave the Cleveland Indians a win over the Colorado Rockies and a sweep of their three-game series.

Bourn hit an 0-1 pitch into the rightfield seats off Adam Ottavino (0-2). Mike Aviles singled and took second on George Kottaras' sacrifice before Bourn hit his second home run of the season

Bourn raced around the bases and threw his helmet into the air as he was mobbed by his teammates at home plate. The walk-off win was Cleveland's fourth of the season.

Scott Atchison (2-0) worked around a two-out double in the ninth by striking out Charlie Blackmon to end the inning.

Colorado completed a 2-7 road trip and has lost four straight for the first time since last September.

## Twins 7, Yankees 2

In New York, Phil Hughes pitched eight poised innings in his return to New York and wound up a winner when the Twins rallied past the Yankees behind big hits from Josh Willingham and Brian Dozier in a six-run ninth.

Willingham belted a tying homer on the first pitch from closer David Robertson, denying rookie Chase Whitley his first major league victory. Robertson (0-2) then walked two batters and gave up Dozier's two-out double, putting the Twins on top 3-2.

Eduardo Nunez, also let go by the Yankees, lined a two-run double on Matt Daley's first pitch. Oswaldo Arcia added a two-run single off Matt Thornton to make it 7-2, all but sealing Minnesota's second victory in the three-game series.

Hughes (6-1) held his former team to three hits—all in a row to begin the fourth—and retired his final 15 batters during his sixth straight win.

## Blue Jays 4, Royals O

In Toronto, Mark Buehrle pitched eight sharp innings to become baseball's first 10-game winner and Edwin Encarnacion homered again as the Blue Jays beat the Royals.

Buehrle (10-1) won his sixth straight decision. He gave up six hits, walked one and struck out three.

He lowered his ERA to 2.10, secondbest in the AL to New York's Masahiro Tanaka, and improved to 25-12 lifetime against the Royals.

Encarnacion, who matched Mickey Mantle's AL record with 16 home runs in May, started off a new month with another drive. He hit a two-run shot off Aaron Crow in the eighth for his 19th homer of the season.

Jeremy Guthrie (2-5) lost his fifth straight decision.

## Orioles 9, Astros 4

In Houston, Manny Machado hit his first career grand slam, and David Lough homered and drove in three runs as the Orioles beat the Astros.

Orioles slugger Nelson Cruz, leading the majors with 20 home runs and 52 RBIs, left in the third inning with a bruised left hand after being hit by a pitch from Scott Feldman. X-rays were negative and Cruz was listed as day to day.

Machado's towering shot capped a six-run sixth inning.

The 21-year-old Machado missed the first month after offseason knee surgery and has struggled since his return, prompting manager Buck Showalter to move him from the second spot to seventh in the batting order. He was back to batting second on Sunday and had two hits for the second straight game, raising his average to .230.

Wei-Yin Chen (6-2) got the win. Feldman (3-3) allowed nine runs in 5 1-3 innings.

## **Athletics 6, Angels 3**

In Oakland, California, Jed Lowrie homered and drove in two runs against Oakland nemesis Jered Weaver as the Athletics completed a three-game sweep of the Angels.

Josh Donaldson hit a two-run single and Coco Crisp and Lowrie added RBI hits in a four-run third inning against Weaver (6-4) to give the A's their first home sweep of at least three games against the Angels since June 29-July 1, 2004

Oakland leads the AL West by 4½ games over Los Angeles, its largest pre-All-Star break lead since being 5½ up in 1990.

The big inning was more than enough support for Sonny Gray (6-1), who allowed a pair of sacrifice flies and an RBI double by Erick Aybar in 6 2-3 innings to rebound from a rare rough start. Gray has 11 quality starts in 12 outings this season for a 2.45 ERA.

## Mariners 4, Tigers 0

In Seattle, rookie Roenis Elias pitched a three-hitter for the first complete game of his career, leading the Mariners over the Tigers.

Elias (4-4) struck out eight and walked one in his 12th major league start, and the first one to last longer than seven innings.

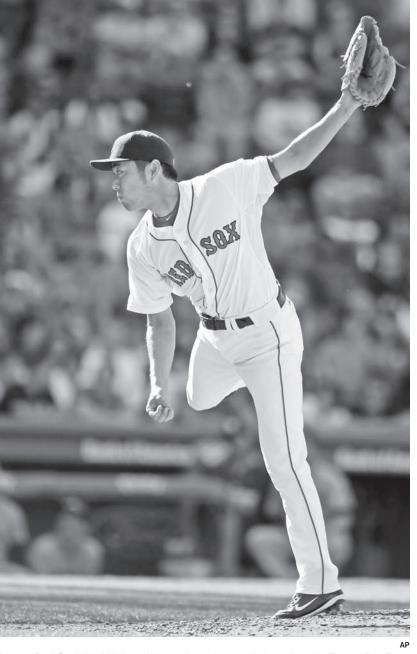
The 25-year-old left-hander from Cuba kept Detroit off balance with his curve, striking out five with the breaking ball. The Tigers only put one runner in scoring position, and Elias matched a career high with 111 pitches.

Max Scherzer (6-2) gave up four runs and nine hits in 6 2-3 innings.

## White Sox 4, Padres 1

In Chicago, Chris Sale pitched a twohitter and Paul Konerko homered as the White Sox defeated the Padres.

Sale (5-0) struck out nine, walked



Boston Red Sox's Koji Uehara follows through on a pitch against the Tampa Bay Rays in the ninth inning of a baseball game, Sunday, June 1, 2014, in Boston.

none and threw 100 pitches. He froze Everth Cabrera for a called strike three to end the game, lowering his ERA to 1.59 ERA in seven starts.

Sale has allowed just one earned run in his last 25 innings, a span of four starts. The lefty was on the disabled list in late April because of a strained muscle in his pitching arm.

Konerko had two hits and drove in three runs as the White Sox won for the eighth time in 13 games.

Eric Stults (2-6) gave up four runs and five hits in six innings.

## Reds 4, Diamondbacks 3

In Phoenix, Chris Heisey hit a goahead homer in the fifth inning as the Cincinnati Reds connected four times in all, beating Arizona to take three of four from the Diamondbacks.

Cincinnati led 3-0 after homers by Zack Cozart and Todd Frazier in the third and by Ryan Ludwick in the fourth. Arizona tied it with a three-run fourth, then Heisey's second home run of the season put the Reds on top for good.

Alfredo Simon (7-3) gave up three runs in 6 1-3 innings. Aroldis Chapman hit 103 mph on the Chase Field radar gun in a perfect ninth, earning his seventh save in eight opportunities.

Wade Miley (3-6) allowed four home runs in a game for the first time in his career.

David Peralta singled twice in his major league debut for the Diamond-backs.

## Pirates 5, Dodgers 3

In Los Angeles, slumping Andrew Mc-

Cutchen hit his first home run in over a month, doubled twice and scored two runs to help the Pirates beat the Dodgers and take three of four from the defending NL West champions.

Josh Harrison also homered and Pedro Alvarez drove in three runs, helping the Pirates win for the eighth time in 12 games.

Edinson Volquez (3-4) allowed two runs and five hits over five innings, striking out six and walking one. Jason Grilli, the fifth Pirates pitcher, got three outs for his eighth save and third of the series after giving up a pair of two-out walks and an RBI single by pinch-hitter Scott Van Slyke. It was the Dodgers only hit after Justin Turner's solo homer with one out in the fourth.

Zack Greinke (8-2) gave up a season-worst four runs and five hits in seven innings and struck out seven.

## Brewers 9, Cubs 0

In Milwaukee, Kyle Lohse allowed only three hits and Ryan Braun had a two-run homer to lead the Brewers to a rout of the Cubs.

Milwaukee pounded Cubs ace Jeff Samardzija (1-5) for eight earned runs in three innings, raising his ERA from 1.68 to 2.54.

Braun homered to left on the first pitch he saw from Samardzija, and the Brewers rolled from there with Samardzija having trouble locating his fastball. Lyle Overbay broke the game open with a three-run double in the third.

Lohse's RBI single drove in Overbay to make it 8-0 for the pitcher's second run-scoring hit of the game. Lohse

(7-1) struck out six in Milwaukee's first complete game shutout this season.

### **Braves 4, Marlins 2**

In Miami, Evan Gattis broke a ninthinning tie with a two-run homer as the Braves completed a three-game sweep by beating the Marlins.

Shae Simmons, pitching in his second big league game, earned his first career save when he retired Christian Yelich with two on for the final out. Closer Craig Kimbrel was given the day off because of a heavy recent workload.

The Braves pulled off the sweep after losing four consecutive games to Boston. Miami, which began the series tied with Atlanta atop the NL East, fell three games back.

The Marlins have lost four home games in a row but are still 20-11 at Marlins Park.

### Mets 4, Phillies 3, 11 innings

In Philadelphia, Lucas Duda hit a tworun homer with two outs in the 11th, lifting the Mets over the Phillies in the third straight extra-innings game between the teams.

The Mets and Phillies split a pair of 14-inning games the previous two days.

Duda came off the bench in the 10th to play first base, then connected in the 11th as the Mets won for the fifth time in six games. The teams conclude their rare five-game series on Monday night.

Ryan Howard hit an early two-run homer for the Phillies. Marlon Byrd hit a solo shot in the 11th.

Josh Edgin (1-0) struck out the side in the 10th. Jenrry Mejia held on for his sixth save in six chances.

Phillippe Aumont (0-1), called up prior to the game to provide relief to the tired Philadelphia bullpen, walked Travis d'Arnaud with two outs and Duda homered.

## Giants 8, Cardinals O

In St. Louis, Tim Hudson threw seven shutout innings and Joaquin Arias keyed a four-run first inning with a two-run single to lead the Giants to a win over the Cardinals.

The Giants have won five of six and have the best record in the NL at 37-20. St. Louis has lost four of five. The

St. Louis has lost four of five. The Cardinals managed just four hits.

Hudson (6-2) gave up three hits, struck out six, and walked two in improving to 4-4 against St. Louis. Hudson's previous win against the Cardinals came on July 19, 2007, as a member of the Atlanta Braves. He retired the last 11 batters he faced.

## Rangers 2, Nationals O

In Washington, Yu Darvish struck out 12 over eight innings and Leonys Martin broke open a scoreless duel with a homer in the seventh and the Rangers beat the Nationals to avert a threegame sweep.

Pitching for the first time since May 22 after missing his last turn with a stiff neck, Darvish (5-2) gave up five hits and walked two in dropping his ERA to 2.08. The right-hander matched his season high in strikeouts and overpowered a team that amassed 19 runs in the first two games of the series.

Joakim Soria worked a perfect ninth to earn his 11th save and seal Texas' major league-leading 11th shutout.

Martin hit an 0-1 pitch from Tanner Roark (3-4) into the Washington bullpen beyond the right-field wall.

## Duncan, James set to break their Finals tie

MIAMI (AP)—Over the last 10 seasons, only one NBA player has been part of more wins than LeBron James. His name is Tim Duncan.

Their numbers over that decade are incredibly similar.

Duncan has appeared in 622 regularseason and playoff victories, James has played in 621. Duncan is shooting 50.2 percent from the field, James is shooting 50 percent. Duncan has won two championships with San Antonio during this 10-season stretch, James has two with Miami.

Plus, when facing each other in the NBA Finals, both has won one, lost one.

Here comes the tiebreaker—a Finals rematch that will have high expecta-

Miami and San Antonio are the league's last two teams standing for the second consecutive year, their next chapter starting on the Spurs' home floor Thursday night. The Heat won a wild series last season for their second straight championship, needing a frantic rally to avoid elimination in Game 6 and then riding the strength of a 37-point, 12-rebound effort from James to top the Spurs in Game 7.

"I think our guys, they actually grew from the loss last year," Spurs coach Gregg Popovich said. "I call it fortitude. I think they showed an unbelievable amount of fortitude. If I can compliment my own team humbly, to have that tough loss, especially the Game 6 and not have a pity party and come back this year and get back to the same position, I think that's fortitude."

It's the league's first Finals rematch since Chicago and Utah played in 1997

The teams have actually played three times since last season's classic series ended, twice in the regular season, another being a preseason meeting in Miami where the Spurs acknowledged that the pain of losing Game 7 on that floor was still real.

Then again, it's almost like they wanted to feel that hurt at times. Popovich showed the Spurs clips of Games 6 and 7 early in training camp this sea-



Miami Heat forward LeBron James, front left, guard Norris Cole raise their arms during the final seconds of the second half in Game 6 of the NBA basketball playoffs Eastern Conference finals against the Indiana Pacers, Friday, May 30, 2014, in Miami.

son, not so much to open old wounds but rather speed up the healing process.

"We were just trying to put it away, just get over that part of it, learn from it, and move forward from there," said Duncan, a champion in 1999, 2003, 2005 and 2007.

Move forward, they did.

San Antonio won 62 games in the regular season, the best record in the league. One of those wins was a 24-point romp over Miami, on the same floor where this series will start on Thursday.

The Heat know what wanting revenge feels like. They lost the 2011 NBA Finals to Dallas, then opened the following season on the Mavericks' floor and simply blew them away.

Heat forward Chris Bosh called it "extra motivation" for the Spurs.

"It's just something that we have to deal with, and we know that they're going to be very passionate, and they're

going to play some good basketball," Bosh said. "So whoever we play, we just have to continue to keep our approach the same and play good basketball."

While the Spurs were punching their ticket by ousting Oklahoma City from the West finals on Saturday night, the Heat were getting a day off. James was taking his kids to see X-Men. James Jones went to a home-improvement store for some supplies. Bosh insisted he was going to do as little as possible, and Heat coach Erik Spoelstra isn't summoning his team to practice again until Monday.

By then, James will be locked in on

"It hasn't really hit us that much yet because I think we're in it," James said Friday night after Miami beat Indiana and clinched its fourth consecutive East championship. "I think it will once we're done and we're able to look back at what we were able to accomplish as players, as a franchise. I think that's when it will really hit us. We definitely don't take it for granted to be in this position."

So for the next few days, all the highlights of last year's finals will be played over and over again.

The shot by Tony Parker—who missed the second half of Saturday night's game with a left ankle injury-to win Game 1 in Miami for the Spurs. James' twirl-on-the-rim dunk as the Heat pulled away in Game 2. San Antonio sharpshooter Danny Green's Finals-record 3-point display. Bosh's rebound that led to Ray Allen's shot that saved Miami's season in Game 6. The yellow rope, the precursor to a Spurs celebration that never happened.

All made for an epic series.

The encore could be even better.

"Obviously we are very happy and pleased with the season we have had so far, but we are not by any means satisfied," Green said. "We know we have a lot of work to do against a very good team. There is a reason why they're back there and are two-time champs. We have our work cut out for us, but we are happy with going back—just not satisfied."

## Federer loses to Gulbis in French Open's 4th round



thing appeared to be under control for Roger Federer, just like in the old days at Grand Slam tournaments.

And then, suddenly, it wasn't.

day in the French Open's fourth round not left Roland Garros so soon since against 18th-seeded Ernests Gulbis of 2004, when he was beaten in the third Latvia, Federer settled under a floating ball and prepared for what should have been a simple putaway. Except, suddenly, it wasn't. Federer sent a meek overhead toward Gulbis, who took advantage of the gaffe, ripping a backhand winner.

That was part of a four-point run that let Gulbis break serve and get very much back into the match, which he wound up winning 6-7 (5), 7-6 (3), 6-2, 4-6, 6-3 to end Federer's streak of nine consecutive quarterfinals at Roland Garros.

"A lot of regrets," Federer said. "I just couldn't kind of figure it out."

It also served as the latest reminder that Federer, now 32 and a father of

**PARIS** (AP)—Every- four, is no longer the nearly infallible force who made it to the closing days of major after major.

> "He's Roger Federer," Gulbis said, "but he also gets tight."

Didn't used to be the case. Federer, One point from a two-set lead Sun- a 17-time Grand Slam champion, had round by Gustavo Kuerten.

After that decade-old setback, though, Federer was a quarterfinalist at a record 36 consecutive major tournaments, a streak that ended with a second-round loss at Wimbledon last year. Federer also put together record Slam runs of 10 finals and 23 semifinals in a row.

Now he's bowed out before the quarterfinals at three of the last four

"I think it was the biggest, probably, win of my career," said Gulbis, who most certainly could have dispensed with the word "probably."

Addressing spectators who sang Federer's first name between points as a sign of support, Gulbis said: "I'm sorry I had to win. I know all of you like Roger."

The result fit with the topsy-turvy nature of this tournament: Both reigning Australian Open champions, No. 3 Stan Wawrinka and No. 2 Li Na, lost in the first round; No. 1 Serena Williams left in the second round.

Gulbis now plays No. 6 Tomas Berdych, who eliminated the last American man. No. 10 John Isner. In another quarterfinal, No. 2 Novak Djokovic will face No. 8 Milos Raonic. Wimbledon champion Andy Murray and No. 24 Fernando Verdasco finished off third-round victories in matches suspended Saturday night.

In the women's quarterfinals, 2012 champion Maria Sharapova-who won the last nine games against Samantha Stosur on Sunday-will face 35th-ranked Garbine Muguruza, the 20-year-old Spaniard who stunned Williams last week, and No. 18 Eugenie Bouchard of Canada meets No. 14 Carla Suarez Navarro of Spain.

Gulbis last reached a major quarterfinal at the 2008 French Open. He's spoken openly about focusing more on enjoying the nightlife than perfecting his craft, and drew attention last week for saying he wouldn't encourage his younger sisters to pursue professional tennis because a woman "needs to think about family, needs to think about kids."

The fourth-seeded Federer's resume includes the 2009 French Open title, and he was a four-time runner-up in Paris to Rafael Nadal. But Federer made an uncharacteristic 59 unforced errors and was broken twice while serving for a set.

That included at 5-3 in the second, when Federer flubbed that key over-

"I was lucky, I have to say," Gulbis said about that point.

Said Federer: "Things got tough from then on for, like, a half-hour for me."

He lost the last five points of the second-set tiebreaker, and then dropped the third set, too.

Another key moment came when Gulbis left the court with a trainer to take a medical timeout while trailing 5-2 in the fourth. As he walked out, Gulbis motioned to Federer, as if asking for permission to go. When Gulbis returned, some fans jeered and whistled at him, and he pointed to his lower back as if to say, "Hey, I was injured."

At his news conference, Federer alternated between sounding a little perturbed about the lengthy intermission - and resigned to the idea that what Gulbis did was within the rules.

"He didn't look hurt in any way," Federer said. "But if you can use it, you know, might as well do it."

After that break, the 25-year-old Gulbis displayed the powerful game that had many marking him as a future star when he was a teenager. He won 10 of the next 12 points, punctuating shots with exhales that sounded like growls, and tested Federer's backhand repeatedly.

In the last set, Gulbis raced to a 3-0 lead, thanks largely to Federer miscues. After one errant forehand, Federer swatted a ball in anger, a rare sign of exasperation from him.

## Matsuyama wins Memorial in a playoff



(AP)—With every swing, Hideki Matsuyama appeared to join a cast of top play-

ers throwing away a chance to win the Memorial.

A tee shot in the water on the 16th for double bogey. An approach over the back of the green on the 17th that led to bogey. And then a drive to the right that made the Japanese star so disgusted that he lightly slammed his club into the turf, and the head of the driver broke off.

The ball hit a tree and took one last bounce back into the fairway, and Matsuyama seized on the break. He took dead aim with a 7-iron to just outside 5 feet for birdie on the 18th hole to force a playoff with Kevin Na, and then won for the first time in America with a 10foot par putt on the first extra hole.

"Right from the 15th hole, I had a lot of missed shots," Matsuyama said. "The double bogey at 16, bogey at 17, not a real good tee shot—I thought at 18. But when I saw the ball on the fairway on the 18th hole there, that's when I was able to think I still have a chance.'

The 22-year-old Matsuyama earned validation as one of the game's bright young stars Sunday by closing with a 3-under 69 and making two clutch putts on the 18th hole for his sixth career victory, the previous five on the Japan Golf Tour. This was his first win against a field of the world's top players.

"I just think you've just seen the start of what's going to be truly one of your world's great players over the next 10 to 15 years," tournament host Jack Nicklaus said.



Hideki Matsuyama, foreground, of Japan, celebrates after winning the Memorial golf tournament in a playoff on Sunday, June 1, 2014, in Dublin, Ohio.

Nicklaus spent much of the back nine in the broadcast booth, and it was a brand of golf that was unfamiliar to golf's greatest champion. The Memorial became only the latest event where proven players faltered badly.

Masters champion Bubba Watson had a one-shot lead with five holes to play. He was 3 over the rest of the way. Adam Scott, the No. 1 player in the world, was tied for the lead until playing the last seven holes in 4 over.

"The whole thing is frustrating as I stand here right now," Scott said after his 71. "But everyone is going to feel like that. We all could have done something different. If we all did, who knows what the result would be?"

Scott fell apart by hitting one shot into the water, taking two shots to get out of a bunker and losing all hope when his third shot to the par-5 15th hit the pin and caromed back into the fairway, leading to a bogey.

Watson dropped three shots by hooking two tee shots. The most damaging was his drive on the 15th that was so high, so powerful and so far right that it cleared the trees and went into a neighborhood, leading a double bogey.

Needing a birdie on the 18th, his shot looked good until it took one small hop and stayed in the rough. A few inches closer and it would have fed down the slope for a short birdie chance. He closed with a 72 and finished third, moving him to No. 3 in the world ahead of the injured Tiger Woods.

"It's tough," Watson said, who was going for his third win of the year. "I made one bad decision. If I hit 4-wood off the tee instead of driver on the par 5, we make 5 and we win by one. But I made double, so we lost by one."

Na finished his round of 64 about two hours earlier. He was in the clubhouse at Muirfield Village, leaning against two pillows on a sofa as he watched the calamity unfold, even joking he might win by not hitting another shot. Thanks to Matsuyama, he had to. And it wasn't pretty.

Na hooked his tee shot on the 18th in the playoff, and it went into the creek. He still had 10 feet for bogey when Matsuyama made the winning putt. Na did not speak to reporters. A PGA Tour official tracked him down in the parking lot, and he gave credit to Matsuyama for making a great putt.

Adding to the bizarre ending was how Matsuyama played the extra hole.

It was not an angry slam of the driver after his tee shot on the 18th in regulation, and he was shocked to see the head fall off. He could have replaced the club because the playoff is not considered part of the round, but he had no replacement. Instead, he went with 3-wood off the tee in the playoff, and it went into the front bunker.

He hooked his 5-iron, hitting a spectator in the knee left of the green, and hit a flop shot safely to 10 feet.

It was the first par he made on the 18th hole all week. Matsuvama became the first player to make birdie on the closing hole at Muirfield Village four straight rounds.

"To win my first PGA Tour event is enough," Matsuyama said. "But to win it here at Mr. Nicklaus' course, it really gives me a lot of confidence now going on. And hopefully, I'll be able to use this week as a stepping stone to further my career."

Southern's party with the two crucial defensive stops.

The Lady Dolphins managed to defend the title they won last season despite losing to Southern in the winner's bracket semifinals, 8-9. The Lady Dolphins defeated Kagman in the loser's bracket semis to earn a second crack at Southern, which wasted its twiceto-beat advantage in the finals after dropping Game 1 last Saturday, 2-13. With another loss in Game 2, Southern, which won the first three editions of the league, is now on a three-year drought. The Lady Rays missed a rare four-peat in the 2011-2012 season when they bowed to Kagman.

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the ball, which headed to the fence past home plate and that scramble would have given runner Erin Mendiola enough time to score.

Mendiola was at third base when Billy committed the errant pitch, but instead of capitalizing on the opportunity, the former stopped in between third base and home plate, while Canico recovered the ball. Canico then threw to Billy, who ran after Mendiola for the tag and second out. Billy then had the presence of mind to chase Anna Lisa Blas, who left second base and ran to third, but was tagged out by the MHS pitcher on her way back to second for the third out. Ayana Ongelungel was earlier called for the first out with Lizama catching her line drive.

Southern had the mental lapses after scoring five runs at the bottom of the last inning and one player (Kintaro) from its top of the order going at-bat for the second time. The Lady Rays got two runs off RBI walks, one from a sacrifice fly, and two more from the Dolphins' errors to move within two. Southern was once behind by seven, 7-0, as Billy shut down the Lady Rays in the first five innings, before Mendiola broke the

team's silence with her run at the bottom of the sixth off an MHS miscue. Blas also reached off another Lady Dolphins booboo on defense to move Southern within five, 2-7.

The Lady Dolphins got the two runs back at the top of the seventh with Billy and Sabrina Pangelinan scoring. However, Southern refused to bow down and mounted one final comeback bid at the bottom of the last inning. The five batters in the Lady Rays' top of the order reached with Billy taking a seat in favor of Lizama and Southern boosted their chances to steal the rubber match with the bases loaded. However, Billy reported back for duty and spoiled

but lacked the finishing touches," the team manager reported.

Next up for the CNMI players was South Korea and the eventual top finisher in Group B hammered its foe, 7-0.

"The team played against one of the strongest squads in the tournament. In the first half, we held them to three goals. Our keepers did well in this game with so many saves. South Korea had a difficult time scoring in the opening of the first half and because it was difficult to penetrate through our defense and midfield line, they started to score from outside the box and had to keep switching the ball," Ito said.

and Chinese-Taipei advanced to the semifinals of the tournament. South Korea was scheduled to meet Japan in yesterday's semifinals, while Chinese-Taipai was paired against Group A top finisher North Korea in the other Final Four pairing. Winners in the semis matches will collide for the East championship tomorrow, while losers will play in the consolation round.

The CNMI brought 18 players to the East regional championship. Joining goalkeepers Alipio and Ballesteros and Borja in the competition were Luisa Alcantara, Katherine Angeles, Angelica Carreon, Jerlyn Castillo, Anela Eliza Duenas, Bernadette Horey, Samantha Manacop, Diana Maniacop, De'Jana Muna, Angelia and Lyka Sally, Pinyarat Shanweiler, Madeleine Taisacan, Krizel Tuazon, and Angelina Villagomez. Luam Khen Koo coached the team with Shuk Fun Wong and Chi Ming Tang as his assistants. Completing the CNMI delegation was team physiotherapist Pam Carhill of Marianas Health Services.

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to remain unbeaten in four matches, while in the second game, Hite escaped the ICS Shooters, 56-54, to extend its win streak to three after going 0-2.

Hite hung on to the 2-point lead in the closing seconds after ICS bungled several opportunities to either tie the match or grab the upper hand. Keoni Chariton muffed two triples, Don Brennan's drive was blocked by Zack Diaz in ICS' successive offensive sets under the two-minute mark of the final canto.

Hite also faltered on the other end with Eugene Manglona committing the last miss, overshooting his mark from the left baseline, giving ICS another chance to hit either the game-tying basket or the goahead shot, with 14.2 seconds left on the clock. Brenan went for the game-winning shot, but his 3-point attempt from the top of the key rattled off the rim. Hite secured the rebound and ICS was forced to give up quick fouls to stop the clock. ICS had fouls to give, so Hite just went for the inbound play and ran down the last two seconds of the match.

Three Hite players finished in twin digits in their 2-point win with Zack Babauta leading the way with his 17 points. Alex Lauron and Eugene Manglona chipped in 11 and 10, respectively. Tristan Montes did not hit the double-figure mark with his 8 points, but he collared crucial offensive board and had two putbacks with the last one breaking the 52-all deadlock.

A Manglona lean-in basket made it a 4-point lead for Hite, 56-52, going into the last two minutes of the match and after teams traded errors, Perry Inos moved ICS within a deuce, drilling a short jumper on a fastbreak play. Inos' basket turned out to be ICS' last field goal, as the team missed its last final four attempts.

In the first game, Kobe Mendoza, Bart Demapan, and Karlo De Leon scored 5 points each in overtime to lift Ali'i to the 3-point win. Deleon also nailed the last 2 points of Ali'i from the free throw line, while Demapan converted the final field goal to help their team finish the round-robin regular season on top of Group A

Demapan led Ali'I with his 28 points, while Mendoza and De Leon added 22 and 17, respectively. Ben Pelisamen top-scored for I Love Saipan with his 21 markers, including the game-tying triple in the closing seconds of the regulation. I Love Saipan absorbed its first loss in three matches.

## **First Game**

Ali'i 102 - Demapan 28, Mendoza 22, De Leon 17, De Dios 12, Peredo 8, Usi 4, Hernandez 2,

I Love Saipan 98 – Pelisamen 21, Olopai 18, Capalad 17, Sharry 14, M. Olaitiman 11, Ruluked 7, J. Olaitiman 2.

Scoring by quarters: 29-17, 46-37, 64-64, 85-85, 102-98 (OT).

## **Second Game**

Hite 56 – Z. Babauta 17, Lauron 11, Manglona 10, T. Montes 8, Diaz 5, Tenorio 5

ICS Shooters 54 – Brennan 16, Ong 12, Inos 11, Bisana 6, Chariton 5, Babauta 4.

Scoring by quarters: 21-10, 30-29, 47-44, 56-54.

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CNMI youth players shut down Chinese-Taipei in the first half before allowing Chung Tzu-En to score in the 59th minute.

"We played tough defense against Chinese-Taipei and also had some good attacking plays," CNMI U14 Girls National Team manager Angie Ito wrote on the squad's unofficial website. "There was so much communication from the goalkeeper (Chevy Kate Alipio) and the defense line. Both center backs assigned their midfielders and left and right backs players to pick up and to zone marking. Players were encouraging each other and the goalkeepers (Alipio and Carla Ballesteros) had many great saves."

Before last Sunday's match, Chinese-Taipei came from a 6-0 spanking of Hong Kong for the former's second

straight victory after dropping its opener against South Korea last Friday, 0-6.

"After the final whistle, Chinese-Taipei was frustrated and disappointed because they were able to score only one goal against us," Ito added.

Before dueling Chinese-Taipei, the CNMI opened their campaign in the tournament last Friday against Hong Kong. The rematch of last April's friendly game saw Hong Kong downing the Commonwealth players, 4-0. In the Girls International Youth Football Invitational Tournament in Hong Kong, the CNMI forced a 1-1 draw against the host behind the goal of Guinevere Borja.

"All four goals were scored in the first half. Although the team was not pleased with the result of the goals, they did play better than last year. We had more attacking plays and a lot more buildups. In the match we had at least eight shots. We had so many buildups

South Korea got its first goal in the 15th minute off Noh Jin Young's con-

With pool play done, South Korea

SAIPAN TRIBUNE

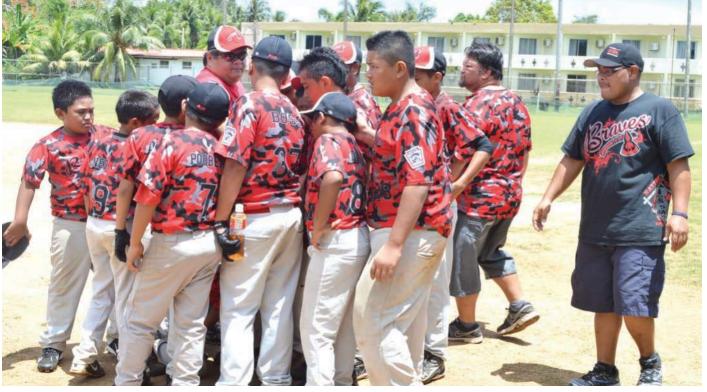
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## Falcons vs Braves in SLLB Major Finals

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The Talaabwogh Falcons pose with their pennant trophy during the awards ceremony after the finals of the Major division of the 2014 Saipan Little League Baseball last Sunday at the Miguel "Tan Ge" Basa Pangelinan Ballfield. The Falcons defeated the Braves, 9-2.



The NSA Braves huddle before going at bat at the top of the fourth inning.



A Braves batter waits for the pitch from the Falcons' Arby Yaguel.



Falcons pitcher Arby Yaguel catches a ground ball from the Braves at the top of the sixth inning.



Falcons and Braves players exchange hi-fives after their game.



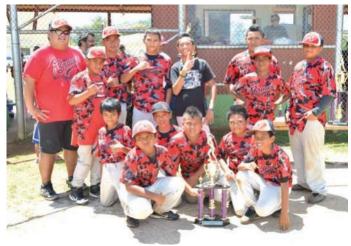
The Falcons and Braves, who are both Tanapag-based teams, huddle at the field as a show of solidarity.



Falcons first baseman Justin Cangco beats a Braves runner to the base.



The Falcons' Aven Evangelista receives two individual awards after the competition. Looking on are Saipan Little League official Annie Flores, right, and former CNMI District Administrator James Ada.



The Braves pose with their runner-up trophy.



Marianas High School players and coaches pose with their championship trophy after beating Saipan Southern High School, 9-7, in the deciding Game 2 of their title match in the MISO girls fast-pitch softball league yesterday at the Miguel "Tan Ge" Basa Pangelinan Ballfield.

## MHS gains second straight title

By ROSELYN B. MONROYO

arianas High School clinched the championship in the 2013-2014 Marianas Interscholastic Sports Organization Girls Fast-pitch Softball League after a thrilling 9-7 win over Saipan Southern High School in the deciding Game 2 of the finals yesterday at the Miguel "Tan Ge" Basa Pangelinan Ballfield.

Pitcher Billy turned a disastrous wild pitch to game-saving tag outs to hand the

Lady Dolphins back-to-back titles and a repeat of their finals victory against the Lady Rays last season.

Billy, who started out for MHS, but was relieved by Jayna Lizama in the sixth inning, returned at the bottom of the seventh with the bases loaded

and after the latter walked Krissa Deleon Guerrero. The MHS ace pitcher then threw a low

ball to Jinky Kintaro on her first pitch before getting back-toback strikes. In her fourth pitch, Billy had a wild heave with the ball going over the head of Kintaro. Lady Dolphins catcher Anna Canico rushed to pick up

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## NMI completes stint in AFC tourney

By ROSELYN B. MONROYO



The CNMI U14 Girls National Team fin-

ished their assignments in the AFC U14 Girls Regional Championships in Beijing, China over the weekend.

The Commonwealth bets played their final pool play (Group B) game last Sunday at the China National Football Training Centre and showed their best defensive form in the tournament, holding Chinese-Taipei to only one goal. The

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Members of the CNMI U14 Girls National Team gather for a group photo before playing against Hong Kong last Friday in the AFC U14 Girls Regional Championships in Beijing, China.



Hite's Tristan Montes drives against three ICS Shooters defenders during the third quarter of their game in the DLX caging last Saturday at the Gualo Rai Basketball Court.

## Hite, Ali'i nose out opponents

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REPORTER Hite and Ali'i pulled off close

wins in their respective games in the 2014 DLX/IT&E Invitational Basketball League

last Saturday night at the Gualo Rai Basketball Court. BASKETBALL In the curtainraiser, Ali'i outlasted I Love Saipan in overtime, 102-98,

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